

HUGHES-McKIE FIRE PUT OUT SUNDAY NIGHT

Entire Section Rejoices and Week Opens Auspiciously

Conservation Program May Kill College

AUSTIN, May 21.—In keeping with the conservation program as outlined in the governor's proclamation calling the third called session, a movement is now on foot to repeal the bill creating the Texas Technical College. Representatives Shires and Winfree state that they will introduce a bill repealing all appropriations made at the previous session for the college. The bill will be introduced as soon as a quorum is established, it was said.

Lightweight Champion to Wrestle Here

"Kid" Thomas, lightweight champion of the World, and "Kid" Florio, local sensation, weight 115 pounds, will furnish the main show for the most important athletic event that the American Legion here has yet staged. The contest will be held Tuesday night at the American Legion Airplane on Commerce street. From the advance sale of tickets and on account of the high order of the entertainment planned, it is believed that the crowd gathering Tuesday night will be the largest yet assembled at an athletic show in Mexia. Young Florio and Kid Thomas are working out daily for the bout at the New Mexia Athletic club at 412 1/2 South Bolkan street. The public is invited to watch them. Thomas agrees to defeat Florio two falls in one hour, catch as catch can. Police Gazette rules to govern the match.

ANOTHER NOTE TO BE SENT REGARDING HOSTAGES

By RAY G. MARSHALL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PEKIN, May 21.—Fighting continues today around the mountain top where the Chinese bandits have placed their foreign captives including Americans.

These white men have been prisoners for two weeks. The diplomatic corps today, after reviewing the situation, decided to send a new note to the Government, asking why fighting is permitted to go on, with increasing danger to the lives of hostages.

It is feared that the outlaws will execute their threat to kill two foreigners Tuesday night unless the troops cease their attacks. The Chinese authorities from the beginning have opposed yielding and withdrawing the soldiers. They favor pressing the attacks even at the cost of foreign lives.

Miss Suelema Jones left Tuesday for her home at Hemphill. She will return in a short while as Mrs. A. R. Etchison of Mexia. She spent three momentous weeks on a visit with her college days friend, Mrs. Tom Nolan.

Ben Stollenwerk was a Dallas visitor Friday and Saturday, where he went for a conference with officials of the Cannon-Robert Cotton Mill interests.

May be all right for the young crowd to consume all this ice cream soda, but if Mother were here she would say what they needed was some spring tonic in the form of thoroughbred tea.

Fred Karner is in Powell today.

CONDITION OF BONAR LAW IS UNCHANGED TODAY

LONDON, May 21.—A slight operation was performed on the throat of Andrew Bonar Law today, an official bulletin from the bedside of the Premier who resigned last night, stated today.

"Otherwise Mr. Bonar Law's condition is unchanged," says the bulletin.

Twenty-Four Die in Auto Wrecks On Sunday

DALLAS, May 21.—(Copyrighted)—Twenty four persons were killed and 160 were injured in automobile accidents in twenty nine cities over the week end, it was shown in the week compilations by the United Press today.

Mexia-Sims Is Settling Casing Near Personville

Wylie Sims of the Mexia-Sims Oil Syndicate of Personville, while here today stated that the test being made there had been standardized and the work of setting casing has begun. Mr. Sims says that a good showing has been encountered, that is a good sand has been penetrated and he feels much encouraged in the test which has reached down to a depth of 8957 feet. It is due southeast of here about twelve miles, "as the crow flies" but about eighteen miles around the roads. The test is in the north end of the W. W. Sims 332-acre tract. The Mexia-Sims has about 1600 acres in the vicinity of the wildcat test, while considerable acreage is leased up by other companies. He reports that he has made his plans to drill deeper, if necessary to bring the well in. Mr. Sims has worked faithfully for nearly two years in sending the bit down and hundreds of his friends who have watched him work with growing admiration are hopeful that he will get a well, opening up another pool in this part of Texas. Mr. Weaver, well known here, is head driller, it is learned.

The Bluffs knocked Payne out of the box in the second, scoring five times, and easily defeated the Bears, 8 to 4.

In two hard hitting contests, the Sandcrabs two the first from the Exporters, 9 to 8, but dropped the second 10 to 5.

The Spudlers scored three runs in the seventh, and nosed out ahead of them Gats, 6 to 4.

U. S. And Other Powers To Send Another Ultimatum

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The United States and other powers decided to send another note to the Chinese government demanding that the government troops surrounding Shantung bandits be withdrawn. This announcement was made today by the State Department in making public further reports from the American Legation in Peking regarding American and other foreign prisoners of the brigands.

MEXICO CITY, May 21.—Charles Parmelee, Jr., kidnaped son of a former Los Angeles resident, returned today under circumstances as mysterious as his disappearance. Parmelee, Sr., and his divorced wife, who had custody of the child, had been reconciled and all suits and counter suits were withdrawn. After the wife cancelled action, the father succeeded in procuring the child, it is said. The boy was kidnaped from children's school several weeks ago, causing an international search.

Judge H. B. Davis came down from Corsicana this morning on his way to Groesbeck but was taken sick here with something like ptomaine poison, and was confined in his office during the day.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Central Presbyterian church enjoyed a most delightful all day outing at the reunion grounds today.

Oil Field And Farm Labor Find Safety In Tree Tops When Floods Fall At Sayre

Ballinger Sponsor Piloted by Herbert Kindred, Mexia Boy

SAN ANGELO, Texas, May 20.—It was announced Sunday night that Ballinger would send its sponsor, Miss Lola Eubanks, to San Angelo Monday morning by airplane. The plane, which will arrive at 10:30 o'clock, will land at Williams Field, in the suburbs. It will be piloted by Herbert L. Kindred.—News Item.

Herbert L. Kindred, the pilot mentioned, is a Mexia reared boy, and the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kindred, now living here. Herbert lives in Temple and is the official pilot for E. K. Williams, editor and publisher of the Temple Telegram. He figured in the capture of the negroes at Kirvin more than a year ago by flying to Huntsville and bringing dogs for the chase. He also made a record flight from Missouri to Temple without landing. He was a flyer during the war.

San Angelo Entertains West Texas Chamber of Commerce

Day Resigns Mixed Claim Commission

WASHINGTON, May 21.—William R. Day, former Justice of the Supreme Court, resigned as umpire of mixed claims commission named to settle American war claims against Germany. The resignation was accepted. Edwin P. Parker of Texas, American member of the commission, will be named as umpire, it was indicated at the White House, formally opened.

POLICE KIDNAP SINCLAIR AT FREE SPEECH MEET



Upton Sinclair, noted author and Socialist, was spirited away from a Free Speech meeting in Liberty Hall, Los Angeles, California, by a detail of police, headed by Police Chief Oaks.

While the colleges are preparing to graduate next month a lot of captains of industry, statesmen, and authors, what the country needs just now is more diggers, ploughmen, and dishwashers.

Blake and E. L. Smith of the E. L. Smith Oil Company are in Bartlesville and Tulsa this week on business for the company.

Reign of Terror Inaugurated By Obregon Enemies

Mexico City, May 21.—Enemies of the Obregon government have begun a reign of terror, in an attempt, it is believed, to prevent a satisfactory solution of the recognition conference now in session. In addition to three attacks since the first of the month, it is learned today that officials of the United States in Mexico City have received letters threatening their lives. Police encamped about the apartments during the night.

HILLSBORO—Mrs. Bob Little, 29, was burned to death here yesterday when fumes from the gasoline with which she had been cleaning her clothes, caught fire, igniting her clothing and the house. Her husband was painfully burned while attempting to carry her from the blazing house. It was believed the fumes caught from a stove nearby.

WINDOW—Emmet Griffin, 50, was drowned in a futile attempt to save from drowning Hugh Jacobs, 12, near here. The lad shouted for help and Griffin went to his rescue. Although the water was not over the man's head the boy grasped him so tightly that he was pulled under.

Bryan and Morris, purling for Dallas held the Gassers well in hand, and the Steers won a twin bill, 8 to 1, and 3 to 2.

Young Dallas Lady Shot While Fishing Near Dallas Sunday

DALLAS, May 21.—Mrs. Geraldine Harris, 19, was accidentally shot and killed at a fishing camp near here late yesterday, when, according to members of the party, she was mistaken for an animal of some sort. The woman had left the camp and made a disturbance in bushes nearby. One of the men of the party playfully fired at the bush, it was said, and her body was found later.

Three members of the party are being held pending further investigation of the affair.

Colonel A. E. Humphreys left Saturday at noon for Denver to be at the bedside of his friend, Mr. Brown, of Charleston, West Virginia, who is seriously ill there. Mr. Brown called for the Colonel many times in recent days and he accordingly left to visit him as soon as possible. He will return in a few days.

Much Rejoicing When Smoke and Blaze Disappear

The J. K. Hughes Developing company's McKie gusher which came in Tuesday night, May 8, and which caught on fire the next day, was extinguished at 7:20 Sunday night.

In all it burned a few minutes over 11 days and four hours, baffling several attempts to exterminate it, during which time thousands of dollars went up in climbing clouds of black smoke.

It was a fitting close to the day on which the last of its victims had been laid "at rest" and rejoicing is general throughout the section today, as a consequence. A few hours before, in Oakwood cemetery at Corsicana, the scant remains of the last six victims of the blaze were buried in a simple grave. The official count of those who lost their lives on the afternoon of the catastrophe, Wednesday May 9, shows that there were 13 killed. Early reports were that there were 16 who lost their lives on that occasion and there is much gratification that the official count shows three less than that.

Last Tuesday B. B. Simmonds and E. S. Edwards secured the material which was used in the successful efforts of Sunday afternoon. Mr. Edwards, who is Foreman on the Freeman lease returned Wednesday and was unable to be present Sunday when the final work was done.

C. G. Carter, auto mechanic for the Hughes interests here, was on the site when the fire was extinguished. When it became apparent that the fire was exterminated there went up a shout from hundreds of voices, pistols were fired, sirens shrieked and the news spread rapidly, until a few minutes later it was heralded with much gratitude in Mexia and all surrounding towns.

A "T" shaped mechanism was resorted to after steam and other methods had failed. D. L. Kelley of the J. K. Hughes Developing Company was in charge of the work, assisted by Jack Crosby, Frenchie, a fireman from Corsicana and scores of helpers.

Mr. Kelley worked almost in the flames at times, said Charles W. Kennon of the Hughes Company this morning in discussing the heroic efforts to put out the fire. These men would rush in and work a few minutes "like fighting fire", while streams of water were constantly played upon them. If a stream stopped just for a short while, it was instantly noticeable.

A ten inch apparatus, inside of which was swedge to fit over the 6 1/2 inch casing through which the gushing oil and strong gas pressure was flowing. At the top of this piece was a Gate Valve. A flow line between the swedge and gate valve extended out to the side about 150 feet. A couple of "gin poles" were forked together and connected to the "T", so that the thing could be raised or lowered as desired. Cables were attached to the contrivance so that it could with these be pulled to any spot desired. When all was ready, the "T" was dropped over the hole and the gate valve was closed, the fire went higher and higher. Then when closed entirely, the flame disappeared. So powerful was the pressure of gas that the flame did not appear above the casing for probably a foot and a half and it was this fact that offered the principle on which the men worked. If the gas could be cut off, the blaze would go out, they figured. And it did, save that the heat was so terrific and some of the oil dropped down around the well, catching on fire instantly. While this was being done the gushing oil seeking the only outlet remaining charged out thru the flow line more than a hundred feet away into an earthen storage tank.

Steam was already up to assist in fighting the fire if necessary, and when the fires started around the base of the improvised fire fighting equipment, the boilers were pulled back a short distance and the steam soon extinguished every spark.

The atmosphere began to cool rapidly and it is likely that the gusher may be turned into storage in a few hours.

No gauge has yet been taken but it has been variously estimated as making at present anywhere from 5,000 to 10,000 barrels daily. Mr. Hughes, George Peyton, W. S. Banks, attorney for the company and others from here are in Powell today and will likely know in a few hours just how big the gusher is now.

The product was tested today and showed a gravity of 37.5 and is pure pipe line oil. The actual test shows three tenths of one per cent water which is exceedingly gratifying to the officials of the company and to all operators who are today getting "very busy" at Powell.

The field is starting on the busiest week known here this year and hourly new derricks are rising in the vicinity of the great gusher which is now an oil well and not a gigantic oil and gas fire.

By LLOYD ALLEN
United Press Staff Correspondent
LONDON, May 21.—Marquis Curzon of Kedleston, secretary of State for foreign affairs since 1919, is the most likely successor to the premiership from which Andrew Bonar Law resigned last night.

His health, a throat affliction from which his physicians held out little hope of immediate recovery, forced the Scotch Canadian who has been at the helm of British affairs since October to forward his resignation to King George by messenger. He was too ill even to pay the customary personal visit.

In many political circles it was expected the King would summon Lord Curzon to Aldershot today and charge him with forming a Ministry.

Curzon has many political enemies, however. It is reported Lord Derby for one would refuse to serve in a Cabinet under the present foreign secretary. There is also objection to having as Premier of Great Britain a man entitled to a seat in the House of Lords.

Consequently, Stanley, Baldwin, present chancellor of the exchequer is mentioned as second choice.

Lord Derby and the Earl of Balfour are next in line, while James Hogg, a prominent liberal is mentioned.

It is feared that dissension in the conservative ranks—"quarrelling over the bone"—one morning newspaper describes it, may lead to a break in the party ranks, which will open the way for a government of the left, labor-socialist, or labor-liberal.

The morning papers all pay remarkable tribute to Bonar Law.

The latter's illness, which was serious a couple of months ago, forcing him to appoint Stanley Baldwin acting Premier and take a vacation, has grown rapidly worse in the last ten days. Bonar Law is secluded at his town house, scarcely able to speak. His doctors are not optimistic.

W. D. Freeman, who has been confined to his home for several weeks with high blood pressure, is reported to be improving, but he is still in a serious condition.

Regular meeting of the Eastern Star tonight at 8 o'clock. Every member is urged to come.—W. M.

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THE COURSE OF PRICES
Some financial authorities predict higher prices, perhaps rising well towards the peak of 1929. But the public groans as it looks back to that high stepping period. It realizes from various aches and bruises that the joy riding of that time landed the country in the ditch.

Perhaps the farmers, who had to take extremely drastic deflation, are entitled to some further recovery in their returns from certain staples. If they can get it through better delivery systems, rather than by taxing the consumer, everybody will be better off.

High prices check trade. There are always people whose incomes can't keep pace with increases in living costs. Millions of these folks declared a buyer's strike in 1929. The profiteering elements learned that while the American consumer has a very broad back, there are limits to his endurance. Load him too heavy, and he grinds his teeth and sets his feet into the ground with a balky and wicked look in his eye.

The high prices of 1929 were caused by public extravagance, high cost production, and the profiteering spirit. When a producer finds the people shouting for his highest priced stuff faster than he can shove it out of the factory, he would have to be an angel not to tack on a little additional percentage as a means of earning the popular excitement.

If the prices of 1929 are repeated in 1929, the depression of 1921 will probably recur in 1924. But the folks who had to sell their diamonds and fur coats in order to buy soupbones, have thought a few thoughts since that time, which tend to promote a certain degree of useful caution.

The business community should do its best to keep prices reasonable. The public can help. One way in this community is to watch the advertising in The Mexia Daily News and keep an eye on the merchants that announce special bargains. They are good folks to trade with, and they help keep the business machine running normally by a policy of quick sales and small profits.

I AM YOUR WIFE.
Oh, let me lay my head tonight upon your breast,
And close my eyes against the light. I faint would rest;
The weary and the world look sad; this worldly strife
Turns me to you; and oh, I'm glad to be your wife!
Though friends may fail or turn aside, yet I have you
And in your love I may abide, for you are true—
The only refuge in each grief and in despair,
Your tenderness is my relief; it soothes each care,
It eases the life could alienate this poor weak heart
From yours, then may no pleasure great enough to part
Our sympathies fall to my lot. I'd e'er remain
A part of friends, though true or not, just to retain
Your love regard, your presence bright thro' ease and strife;
And oh, I thank my God tonight, I am your wife!
(Reprinted from "Heart Throbs", the great book of prose
and verse, contributed by 50,000 people, and published by Joe
Chapple, editor of the National Magazine.)

WHY CITIES GROW
The rapid growth which many progressive cities and towns
suffered in the past has been one of the marvels of American
life. People who are ambitious to have their own communities
go ahead often ask how it is that these advancing places secure
these quick gains.

Investigation would commonly show that such progress is
not a matter of mere chance, but of favorable locations. The citizens of
such places have no set down and waited for progress to come
to them. They have done a lot of hustling themselves.

The reason that a certain city is a live town has a lot
to do with its location. People like to buy real estate or engage
in business in such communities, as they feel that investment
will pay. They enjoy the feeling of life and activity that
comes in such a city.

People like business men, new power men, professional men,
and all kinds of every work or calling of life, who give the
community a sense of real thoughtful consideration know, be-
cause of their own experience, that the business men, Chambers of Com-
merce, Boards of Trade, have much to do with the advance of
the community. They are the men that a city organization get are
the men that a city organization should have on the surface. When men band
together in a city and make an organization such as that rep-
resented in the Chamber of Commerce, they usually achieve some of
the things that a city needs, in the shape of public
improvement, new industries and a better "morale."

The Mexia Chamber of Commerce has a history the past
year or so of its achievements.

But even if such an organization should go along for a
period without some outward, physical evidence of accomplish-
ment, the fact that the business men are working unitedly
for the good of the community, creates an atmosphere of pro-
gress. The activities of such an organization are reported in the
newspapers and discussed at home and abroad. The idea spreads
around that such a city is a place of active and working com-
munity spirit, where the people are hustling to get things done.
When a place gets that kind of a reputation, to some degree, it
will grow of its own momentum.

When June comes, let every business man in Mexia ponder
along this line, "Fall in," joining the ranks of men and women
who are to fight the Battles of Peace during the coming year
for a bigger and better Mexia.

CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS
By N. P. HOUX.

Hamm-Bacon is the heading over an
East Texas marriage notice, and a
friend thoughtfully sent the happy
pair a case of eggs as a wedding pre-
sent. That's all right for the imme-
diate present, but what will the harvest
be?

One of our paid subscribers asked
this question: If a case of eggs costs
ten cents how much per gallon should
gas be advanced? Respectfully re-
ferred to Col. Houx—Korose Cyclone.
What for? We have neither crude
oil to sell, nor a silver to buy gas
for, as we are not interested person-

ally, and don't care nothin' about it
now.

The consolidation of state depart-
ments at Austin which was favored by
a few daring legislators, was not at
all popular and the bill to consolidate
several state departments simply died.
You can't consolidate departments
without causing men to lose good jobs
and hence the failure when consoli-
dation is urged.—Tyler Morning Sun.

When you consider that most of the
members of the legislature are alleg-
ed to be rabbit chasers and hillbillies,
and therefore are now holding the
best jobs they ever had, how can you
blame them for wanting to stand in
with the powers that be? Under-
stand, now, we are calling them rab-
bit chasers and hillbillies, not insin-

uating that they are corrupt, and we
are not going to do it. Let Hall
Youngblood fight out that proposition
with them, if he gets through build-
ing that other jail over in Louisiana
in time to come back to Texas and
serve his term in a Texas jail.

A man being tried in Geneva for
murdering his wife, declared his in-
nocence and called upon God to strike
him dead if he was guilty, and as he
ceased speaking he fell dead in the
witness box. This should be a warn-
ing to criminals trying to hide behind
the cloak of God.

Oculists say that not more than
one-third of the drivers of motor ve-
hicles can see well enough to catch
the signals of traffic officers and
electric indicators. Not a very assur-
ing comforting statement for the traf-
fic officers.—Sherman Democrat.

Maybe they are blinded by the
bright lights of cars that they are al-
ways meeting everywhere they drive.

An East Texas editor and his wife
were invited to take Sunday dinner
at the local hotel. Here's the way he
noted it in his Monday's issue. "For
the benefit of our lady readers we
will state that they had chicken and
all the stuff that goes with such a
layout and strawberry shortcake and
lettuce and young onions. Our wife
wore her blue and white and looked
luscious and young onions. Our wife
wore a new skirt and looked too
real charming. The land lord's wife
sweet for anything. The editor wore
today, Thursday, Friday and Satur-
day suit and was sick all night.—
Mineral Wells Index.

And still some people think the
poor newspaper man does not have
any troubles.

And the governor of Colorado finally
made an appointment to fill a
vacancy in the United States Senate,
without listening to the advice of
meddling outsiders.

Col. Houx wants a lawn-mowing
marathon started and kept up during
the summer. He has established a
record of, which he is very proud,
making a straight run of fifty-five
minutes, stopping only seven times
to light his pipe and mop his brow.
If he insists upon a contest, Kossie
may offer an entrant for honors.
City Marshal Bryant can break the
Houx record, and will do so if he can
find somebody to furnish the lawn
mower, the pipe, etc.—Kossie Cy-
clone.

It was not intended that this
should be an amateur affair at all.
We want only professionals in this
marathon, men who own the lawn,
the mower, the pipe, and sufficient
"fillin'" in carry him through the
several smokes. City Marshal Bryant
is a jolly old sport, but unless
he can show that he is qualified to
enter this contest we don't want him
"messin'" around and getting in the
way while trying to borrow the
"working tools" for the game.

And now it is said that George
Gould caught his "death of cold"
while visiting the Valley of the Kings
where Tut's tomb was discovered.
We make no comment on the mat-
ter at all.

Of course, it's an entirely differ-
ent proposition, but we wonder how
long the young lady dancing record
could walk the floor carrying a col-
icky baby.—Columbus Dispatch.

Poorly about seven minutes, if
she should ever find time to "find"
the kid.

**King Snake Emerges
From Ear of a Cow**
McKENNEY, Texas, May 21.—A
thirteen inch king snake crawled out
of the ear of a milk cow belonging
to Charles Brooks near Blue Ridge
when the animal was chloroformed
to be examined for scrow worms here
recently.

The cow had been acting queerly
for some time so Brooks called in
a veterinarian who decided that the
animal must have scrow worms in the
head. The cow had recently been do-
mained and it was thought the worms
had become infected and caused the
trouble.

The reptile died immediately after
it reached fresh air, and was placed in
a jar of alcohol. The incident caused
unusual comment and not even the
veterinarian could explain the pres-
ence of the snake.

**Dallas Has Meanest
Thief Yet Reported**

DALLAS, Texas, May 21.—A new
entrant into the annals of the "mean-
est thief."

While H. Stevens, captain of one of
the local fire stations was on duty
saving a house and contents from
total destruction, fighting the flames
to save some person's home someone
stole \$100 which he had left under his
pillow at the station.

Police are searching for the applic-
ant in to the hall of infamy.

BUGHOUSE FABLES

HEY, BOYS. THERE'S
A FIRE OVER ON
NINTH AVENUE—
IS IT TOO
FAR OFF TO
BOTHER
ABOUT?

THANK TO
TIP TOE
EPSTEIN

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THE EDITORIAL OF THE DAY

NEW ENGLAND THEN AND NOW
Waco Times-Herald.

The esteemed Philadelphia Record has this discussion at the
expense of New England:

"A little study of the list of 'the 12 greatest living Ameri-
can women, selected by the National League of Women Voters
discloses some interesting facts about their nativity. Not a single
one hails from New England, which has been supposed to
furnish more than its proportionate share of brains to the rest
of the country. Four were born in the West; three in New York;
three below Mason and Dixon's line, and two, Miss Beaux and
Louise Homer, in Pennsylvania. If Miss Thomas could also be
accredited to this State, which has been the scene of her life
work, Pennsylvania and New York would stand on a parity in
the production of brainy women. We don't understand New
England's failure in this portentous matter. She has many cap-
able men. Are not her women equally leaders in various lines
of endeavor?"

That assumption of furnishing brains to the rest of the
country is not so pronounced today as in former times, due to
the fact that the New England we read about in the books moved
down to New York and went on to Chicago and made con-
siderable settlements out of Topeka and Des Moines and is right
now kicking up its heels at Long Beach out there in California.
There are a few left behind—Henry Lodge and Calvin Coolidge
and three or four others, but the great body of the Puritans
are either in New York City or west of the Mississippi River.
Joseph Smith, who discovered the Book of Mormon, was a Ver-
monte; John Brown, who went from Kansas to make the raid
on Harper's Ferry, was a native of Connecticut. The blue laws
of Connecticut were carried bodily into Kansas. The fiction that
comes to us via Indiana is in large measure the product of New
England, mellowed somewhat by Cavaliers out of Virginia. Here
in Texas we have them from New England, from Maryland,
from Virginia, from North and South Carolina, from Georgia—
some direct and some by way of Kentucky and Tennessee and
Alabama and Mississippi. Texas is truly cosmopolitan, Moses
Austin being from Connecticut and Sam Houston from Virginia.
But for Harvard and Yale and Brown Universities, no trace of
the old New England could be found, save in Iowa and Kansas
and California.

Letters from People

WHO'S RIGHT
To The Mexia Daily News:

In-as-much as much adverse com-
ment has come to the writer from the
"Fight Fair Fans" article by "By
Heck" in your Sunday issue and many
state that other towns in Texas will
copy same to the detriment of Mexia
and Mexia fans; I have been asked to
write just a few words and state the
true facts as they existed the day
that By Heck seemed to have taken
offense. Won't you kindly give this
the same publicity that you gave the
By Heck article. My position was
to ignore the entire matter. But
since a stigma may come from such
an article that will tarnish the fair
name of our city and ball patrons I
submit the cold facts with pleasure.

The writer with several of Mexia's
leading citizens and also supporters
of the club from the financial stand-
point were occupying a box directly
behind the first base position. The
manager of the Sherman club, Mc-
Elvory, was playing this position, and
he muffed the first ball thrown to
him. This as usual gave the rooters
an opening and we started on McElvory,
the writer dubbing him, "McElvory!"
when he retorted that I was either "a
barber or a bootlegger" and those
were the strongest words passed if
they be or can be classed by Heck as
"vile." And were used by the players
and not by a Mexia rooter or fan. I
then proceeded with the other fans,
all citizens of Mexia, to introduce
each Mexia player that reached first
base to Mr. McElvory, the worlds
greatest first baseman. This incensed
the none too good sportsman and he
then retorted that I was half-witted.
At which remark I told him I certain-
ly was from the fact of watching him
try to play first base. This was too
much for him and he angrily threw
the ball hard as possible against the
netting and the incident is there yet.
We, of course, seeing that McElvory was
angry and losing the game suited us
exactly and what "true blue fan" as
By Heck calls them could object. We
proceeded to tell the Sherman ball
club to roll the ball to Mr. McElvory
and not throw it, all this was too
much for the player and he grew very much
peevish. If a single insulting word

was uttered by a Mexia rooter or fan
I did not hear it and since this article
by Heck appeared I have inquired
from those nearest the box we were in
and no one heard any such remark in
fact they were highly delighted at the
way the manager and first baseman
of the Sherman club had gone to
pieces. The fallacious article that by
Heck has fostered on the reading pub-
lic will cause and has already caused
more bitter comment and criticism
than anything hurled at the visiting
team that day in question. For not
one word came from the box or stands
that could offend the most tender. To
show the public that it was the visit-
ing player's fault that any one dis-
played any temper will state that the
coach and manager of the Austin club
Mr. Johnson who followed the Sher-
man club was impossible to reach
thro' rooting, he smiled at all we said
and stated they were on the bottom
and had nothing to lose but every-
thing to win.

You can't heckle a good sport.
Also to go further, Tom Nolan, one
of the bad ones, invited McElvory to
take lunch with him at the Salesman-
ship club and he refused. We held
nothing against him personally, we
were with our boys on the "field of
battle" and did nothing ungentle-
manly. To tell the truth I'll wager
that most of McElvory's plays and
remarks were of the pseudo type and
that he was merely adding to the fun
of the occasion, as I have never heard
anything detrimental to his name as
a good sportsman. He was nettled no
doubt at the misplays and at losing
and this added to the criticism from
the stands.

I can't figure out what By Heck
refers to when he says that "several
clean minded fans" came to him and
stated that vileness was being hurled
at the visitors. Then he sent two
"spies" down to look over no man's
land and they stated the barrage was
"vile." Of course By Heck may be
our Ball Park Moral barometer, but
let him first get the true facts before
he vents his spleen on a few loyal
fans.

Of course if it be the wish of By
Heck and the ball club officers that
we sit supinely by, fold our hands,
muffle our tongues and spirits and let
the rest of the world go by, then well
and good. But Mexia has thrown off
these tank-town habits and is sup-

posed to be strutting in the regalia
of the ultra modern. If I am in error
I am indeed sorry and those that
joined in the rooting also join with
me in repentance. Who's right?
FRED S. KARNER.

FROM THE PEOPLE

"Methodism's Greatest Humiliation"

The following was written by Rev.
E. P. Williams, a former pastor of
the Methodist Church in Mexia.

"Methodism has never committed
a crime. Its record is stainless. Meth-
odism has never espoused an iniqui-
tous policy, or aligned itself with the
cohorts of evil. Methodism has al-
ways been the champion of justice,
and the protagonist of truth. Meth-
odist has been energetically active
in the propagation of the gospel,
and the spreading of scriptural holiness.
Methodism is evangelistic. Mil-
lions have been converted at its al-
tars, and thousands of converts have
been given to other denominations.
Methodism has no apology to make
to a sinful and godless world. It
walks absolutely unafraid among
other churches. Methodism has heard
the call of the heathen world. It has
sent hundreds of missionaries and
spent millions of dollars, that the
light of the glorious gospel of Jesus
Christ might dispel the darkness of
idolatry and superstition. Meth-
odism presents to humanity the most
nearly perfect system of doctrine ever
promulgated.

But Methodism has its humiliation.
It has failed to hear the cry of the
suffering and the dying, or hearing,
has neglected to respond. No place
of refuge, no couch or bed comfort,
has been prepared for the sick and
suffering. Texas Methodism has
stood aloof and has left the sick and
suffering alone, or has watched with
indifference the crippled and deformed
as they passed painfully along
the way of life. Other churches have
seen, heard, and have rushed to the
rescue, but Methodism has been con-
cerned about other things. Meth-
odism's humiliation must be taken
away. The heart of Methodism has
at last been deeply touched.

Our church is now planning to
build three large hospitals in Texas.
We are especially interested in the
hospital to be erected at Fort Worth.
The forward looking people of that
progressive city, largely irrespective
of denominational affiliation, have
responded magnificently, subscribing
\$500,000 on the million dollar hos-
pital. The seventy-five thousand
Methodists in the Central Texas Con-
ference, outside of Fort Worth and
Tarrant County, are called upon to
duplicate what the Fort Worth dis-
trict has done. The stalwart sons and
consecrated daughters of Wesley
must not fail in this hour of great
opportunity."

A donation of \$10,000 will pay for
a ward for twelve patients; \$5,000
a ward for eight patients; \$2,000
pays for a private room and \$1,000
pays for a semi-private room.

The powers of Europe are baring
their teeth as angry wolves.

Patterson's Column



This is a tribute to a competitor.
More than a score of years ago came
the Pittman's to Mexia.

Since their store was opened nearly
two score years ago than one—there
have been perhaps a dozen other con-
cerns that have established them-
selves in the jewelry business here.

Today—with the exception of P. S.
Park—not the name of one is remem-
bered.

To have been engaged in any busi-
ness for nearly forty years without
have ONE displeased customer is a
record—but to have been engaged in
the jewelry business which above all
others offers opportunity for sharp
practices—is indeed remarkable.

It was my pleasure to call upon
Pittman's as a traveling salesman.
They were not customers, to a large
extent of my house but their treat-
ment was always cordial, and I liked
them.

Mrs. Pittman—a wonderful woman
in many respects—passed peacefully
away at her home here a few months
ago. She was in charge of the me-
chanical department of Pittman's store
here for many years and it was gen-
erally conceded that she had no peer
as a watch repairer.

When the Boom came, the Pittman's
—to my knowledge—had splendid op-
portunities to sell out at enormous
price, provided name and good-will
would be delivered, but their answer
was always the same—"THE PIT-
TMAN NAME IS NOT FOR SALE."

Now, friends, if I can so serve the
people of Mexia as have the PIT-
TMAN'S—and have such a name for
FAIRNESS, as they have,—I shall be
glad I came to Mexia whether I
MAKE MONEY OR NOT. I thank
you.

—PATTERSON.

He was a careless poet; still he
ought
To have known better, as he might
have seen.

With passion hot he wrote a burning
thought,
And sent it to a powder magazine.

The Chipping vine type of women
is exemplified when some of the girls
take their clench holds of the men at
the dances.

Bringing Up Father
By George McManus
which appears DAILY in
Mexia Daily News Soon

Sigs is the chief character
in the greatest of all comics,



J. K. Hughes and his Morrow No. 1, at Currie. This was the thirteenth producer for the J. K. Hughes Development Company, and its first successful wildcat. It is the greatest producer of high gravity oil known, and opens up a new and important area for development.

J. K. Hughes Has Brought In Many Producing Wells

OWNER OF TRAGEDY WELL
CONSTANT DIGGER
OF WELLS

By JAMES BEAIR HARRIS

Not much more than a year ago the J. K. Hughes Development Company was organized at Mexico, and entered upon its career with the most encouraging signs of success. Its preliminary holdings seemed well chosen and promising, its president was, with an exception, the most successful operator that ever drilled along the Balcones fault, and its operating program seemed invincible. So kindly did the public respond to its stock offerings that nearly \$1,700,000 was raised in a very few months and at a cost of approximately 5 per cent.

Even before the close of its financing campaign, Mr. Hughes was fortunate in bringing in a gusher on the Freeman lease, in the Mexia Fish Pond district. The well easily made 1,000 barrels during its first period and with average then held adjacent and other acreage steadily acquired. Mr. Hughes at once put on a drilling campaign that set a new record for the Texas operations. Perhaps fully fifteen wells were actually under way at one time in the various Fish Pond holdings of the new Hughes organization and from the apparent trend of production it seemed that J. K. Hughes was once more leading his followers to fortune, and by an exceedingly short route.

The drill prospered, but only the prolific oil sand disposed, and for all his pains, time, and tremendous expense, the Fish Pond campaign proved on the whole unavailing and with perhaps fully a dozen dry holes to his charge, and with at least several hundred thousand of dollars spent hopefully but not to best advantage. The new Hughes company had as a net result of its Fish Pond efforts only five average producers. Even the first Freeman well, after its initial flow, made only a very modest producer.

Dig Well at Currie
The Hughes star next arose a few months later in the Currie field, where on the famous McGraw tract, of more than forty acres Mr. Hughes secured four excellent producers and one dry hole. While in this part of the Currie field there has always been some water trouble, and the

Hughes put on his second intensive developing campaign. One well was started at Richland, two in the Marlin area, one at Kesse, one near Greenville, one in Gonzales near the Luling producer, one in Zapata county and another in the Aviator district at Laredo. With the exception of the last named tests, every one of the above-named tests proved disappointing. Some of them have not yet been abandoned, but their promise from a present day viewpoint is indeed small. At Laredo Mr. Hughes got a nice producer, and on the 100 acre tract there now has seven producing wells and five more either under way or to be started at once. That the company will eventually have at least fifteen or twenty wells on this tract, with at least 1000 barrels or more daily settled production seems unquestioned.

Started last fall, during his intensive developing campaign, but delayed by an untimely fishing job, the J. K. Hughes Development Company's Morrow 1, about one mile southwest of the Currie field proper came in some two weeks ago for gusher production. Estimated at first as a 5,000-barrel producer, the well steadily increased its flow until it was probably making fully 12,000 barrels daily for fully a week. The well's present output is probably not less than 6,000 barrels daily.

Is Interesting Well
There are several interesting things about the Hughes Morrow well. First it is, so far as known, the world's greatest producer of high gravity oil; second, it found production at 2,185 feet, or nearly 200 feet lower than the usual production starts in the Currie field; third, it was admittedly a wildcat, and opened up for intensive development a new area that will doubtless prove even larger than the original Currie field.

er than the original Currie field. With Currie crude bringing \$2.80 per barrel as it did when the well first came in—it is now quoted at \$2.20) the Morrow well probably earned the Hughes interests fully \$30,000 daily for a number of days, and is still kicking away for its owners at the rate of fully \$15,000 per day, less royalty interests, and operating expenses, of course. Noting these facts, and also the further fact that the J. K. Hughes Development Company has nearly twenty-six acres in the Morrow tract, and sixty one acres on the same structure, in a nearby tract, one can readily understand why stock in the J. K. Hughes Development Company is steadily rising. As the former Mr. Post would have said, "there's a reason."

What seemed to be the crowning glory of the Hughes program came Tuesday night when the McKie 1 at Powell came in for colossal production. On 100 acres, fully one and one half miles from the Powell field, Mr. Hughes brought in by far the most important well ever completed in that area, another successful wildcat. The world now knows the tragic story of its accidental ignition, and of the half score of loyal workers whose lives were snuffed out in the mighty holocaust. There was no avoiding the tragedy—the material loss is forgotten in the cataclysmic loss of human life.

From a material standpoint comparatively little loss will result to the Hughes find at Powell. The angry flames will in course of time be subdued, the derrick and rig will be replaced, and many wells, perhaps a score of them, will eventually bring fortune to the Hughes family and following.

Mr. Hughes now has a greater personal fortune than he requires. His family and himself live simply, although well, and his great aim in life is to make his last and greatest company a real success. He has told the writer more than once that if the developing company ever went down,

W. W. SHIREY, M. D.

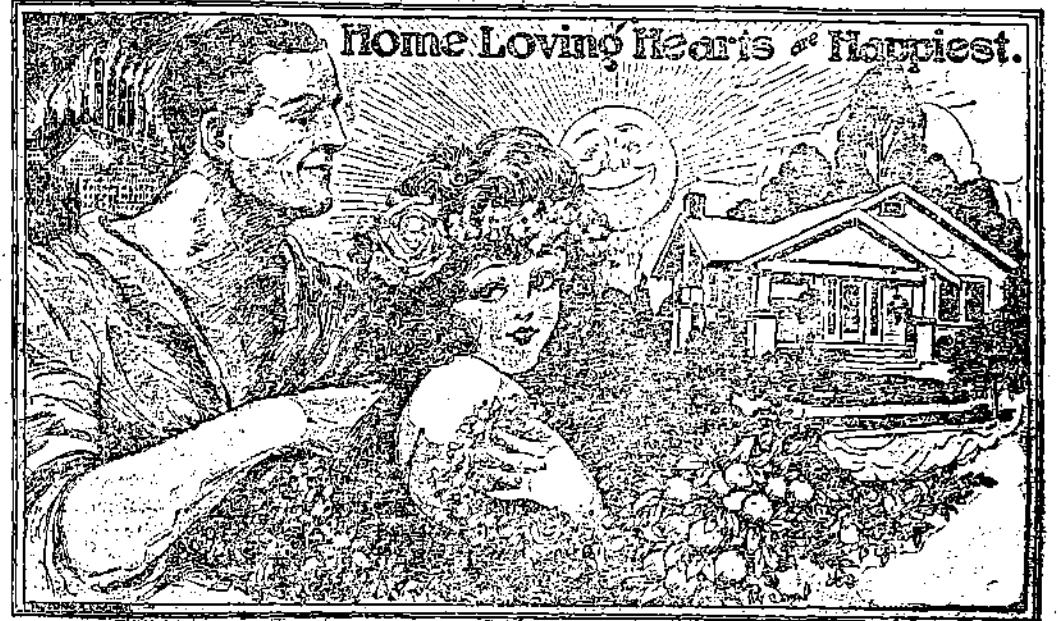
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it would carry with it a large part of the Hughes fortune, and he meant every word of it. Instead of going down it seems indubitably headed on-wards and upwards. At present the firm has nineteen producing wells, with two additional wells now due

in at Smackover, several wells soon due at Laredo, and two more wells rushing downwards in the Morrow extension at Currie.

The J. K. Hughes Development Company has no stock for sale, in fact all it now offers for sale is

crude oil—and take it from one who has looked over its recent producers it has the oil, more than many of the great operating companies that have been in the field for years and spent millions in search of the elusive, but lucrative "flowing gold."



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Rangers Use Three Pitchers To Win Game Here Friday

The Rangers finally beat the Gushers in a slow listless game here Friday night. The home team had few hits and the Rangers' pitchers were in good luck. The game was a close one, with the Rangers winning by a score of 3 to 2. The winning pitcher was [Name], who pitched a strong game. The game was played at the [Stadium Name] and was attended by a large crowd.

Box Score

AB	R	H	PO	A	F
John [Name]	3	2	1	0	0
Charley [Name]	4	2	1	0	0
Kelly [Name]	4	1	2	1	0
Falk [Name]	5	1	1	2	4
Law [Name]	5	0	3	10	0
Clayton [Name]	5	0	1	6	1
Johnson [Name]	3	0	0	3	0
McCaughy [Name]	4	1	2	2	0
Pooler [Name]	3	0	1	0	3
Collins [Name]	0	0	0	0	0
A. Johnson [Name]	1	0	1	0	1

McCaughy

AB	R	H	PO	A	F
McCaughy	3	0	1	2	6
Johnson	2	0	1	2	0
Falk	5	1	0	2	2
McCaughy	5	2	4	1	2
Johnson	1	1	1	1	0
Johnson	5	0	1	3	0
Johnson	5	1	3	1	0
Johnson	5	0	0	2	3
Johnson	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson	2	1	1	0	1
Johnson	1	0	0	0	0
Johnson	1	0	0	0	0

McCaughy batted for McCaughy in 3rd. Johnson batted for Stovall in 9th. Score by innings: 1-0, 2-0, 3-0, 4-0, 5-0, 6-0, 7-0, 8-0, 9-0. Summary: Home run: Holloway, Henderson. Three base hits: Butler. Two base hits: Johnson, Holloway. One base hit: Howell. Runners on base: Howell, Falk. Base on balls: off Brooks, 2. Caught on 2nd: Johnson 1, McCaughy 1, Stovall 2. Wild pitch: Brooks. Innings pitched: Brooks, 5 1/3 with 3 runs 6 hits.



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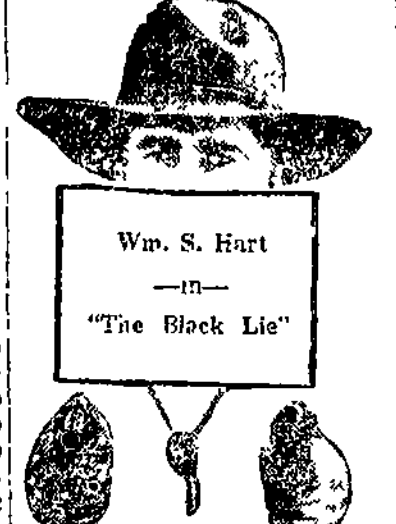
Zev Wins At The Kentucky Derby

CHURCHILL DOWNS, Louisville, Ky., May 21.—Zev, owned by Hay F. Sinclair, won the Kentucky Derby here this afternoon from a field of twenty-one starters, Martingale second and Virgil third. Time for mile and quarter, 2 minutes 5 2/5 seconds. Jockey E. Sandeup rode the winner. Twenty-one starters came out very near to scheduled post time and paraded in front of the grand stand, while 75,000 spectators craned the line up at the post in five minutes and it took another five to get them off. Passing the stand, Zev in the lead, he continued in the lead at the quarter with Prince K. second and Martingale third. At the half Zev still led, followed by Martingale, Virgil, winner of Prentiss, third. Zev held the lead at three quarters with Martingale still on his heels. Martingale took the lead at one mile with Zev second and Virgil third. They went into the home stretch with Martingale in the lead, but Zev overtook him before the finish. Zev paid \$40.10 to \$2 for straight ticket.

BENSON'S JAZZ ORCHESTRA

AT THE OPERA HOUSE As an added attraction the Opera House has secured the Benson Jazz Orchestra to play at the theatre tonight, in conjunction with the picture "The Kentucky Derby." This orchestra is said to be one of the best out of the state of California. They are playing their way from San Francisco to New York City. Those who have heard them say that they are unusually good.

FORT WORTH, May 21.—The Women's Southern Golf Association's twelfth annual tournament was to get under way here today with more than 50 cities represented. Thirty-one trophies have been set aside for the winners, runners-up, etc. More than 125 entries are expected to tee off in the qualifying round this morning.



PALACE THEATRE TODAY AND TUESDAY

Wm. S. Hart —in— "The Black Lie"

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More Banditry In Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, May 21.—Two young bandits held up Charles Morris, creditor manager for Richards & Conover Hardware company here and escaped with \$5,700 in cash loot. The robbers echoed Morris while the latter was returning with the money in a grip from the First National bank, seized the money bag and walked away.

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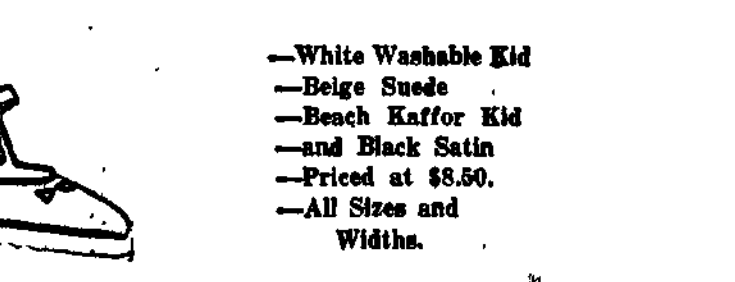
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American Team Wins St. Andrews

ST. ANDREWS, May 21.—America's amateur team, coming from behind with a great rally in the last round, won the Walker international cup here this afternoon from the British team. Americans went into the second day's play for the cup with a score of 2 to 1 against them with little hope held for to do as well as hold their own in eight single matches that made up the final round. By winning five of today's matches and halving, the Americans retained the trophy which they won last year at Southampton, N. Y.

It doesn't do you much good to hold the key to the situation after some other fellow has picked the lock.

Called Meeting Masonic Lodge

There will be a called meeting of Springfield Lodge No. 74, A. F. and

A. M., tomorrow (Tuesday) night at 8 o'clock for work in the F. O. degree. Visitors are always welcome. M. B. WEBB, W. M. You never can tell. Many a ball player will steal a base who never robbed a hen roost in his life.

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West Texas C. of C Opens San Angelo

SAN ANGELO, Texas, May 21.—The fifth annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce opened here today.

Delegations from Chambers of Commerce throughout the state began arriving here late Saturday and Sunday to take part in the annual convocation which is expected to be unique among annual gatherings of commercial chambers in that long dry business sessions are to be augmented by out-of-door games, trap shooting and contests in swimming, golf, tennis, baseball and water fights.

One of the outstanding features planned for the meet is a cowboy banquet where mutton and chivon for which the San Angelo country is famous is to be served to approximately 1000 people in the light of flickering campfires.

About twenty five West Texas bands are expected to compete in a contest during the meet for which \$2500 worth of cash prizes have been awarded. These bands will accompany committees from their cities in presenting bids for the 1921 convention.

Selection of officers and selection of a meeting place for next year is scheduled for the last day of session May 25.

OIL

L. Smith, president of the E. L. Smith Oil Company, returned Friday from a tour of inspection in the oil fields of his company. He states that there is much activity there now and that he expects to see the first oil from the McKie A. well in the near future.

The E. L. Smith Company has made a well on the McKie A. well, with a depth of 1500 feet, and is now producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie A. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie B. well, which is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie B. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie A. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie C. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie B. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie D. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie C. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie E. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie D. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie F. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie E. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie G. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie F. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie H. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie G. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie I. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie H. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

The McKie J. well is located on the Chapman tract, about 1000 feet from the McKie I. well, and is also producing oil at a rate of about 100 barrels a day.

in and about the various new locations made up to date.

A great number of teams drawing wagons loaded with boilers, pumps, drill stems, casing, cable and other well drilling tools and equipment plod along the highways today. The U. S. Tex first location on the Fair tract spudded in Thursday. Water lines are being laid from Chambers creek to several derricks, and fuel oil tanks are being assembled and placed.

Interest in activities continue centered about the J. L. Thompson Oil corporation well, located directly between the Burke discovery and the Hughes-McKie, gusher Casing has been run at this test, and preparations are under way to pour cement.

The Kenner No. 2, is expected in within a short time. Standard tools are being used to bring this well in.

The Trapshoot well at the north end of the field and the Petroleum Producers' Association well continue drilling with some showing of gas and oil.

The test being drilled by the Galloway Oil interests of Fort Worth, located on the Owens tract, four miles directly south of Powell, is reported drilling at 1700 feet. The Walsh test is drilling at a similar depth.

Within less than ten days the wildcat along Chambers creek bottoms will be changed into a veritable field of oil activity, with more than 15 new rigs going, according to present indications.

The Texas Company's Stroud 3 is fishing at 2567. This same Company's Morrow is coming ahead in hard sand at 2908 in Currie, near the J. K. Hughes Developing Company's Morrow 1 gusher. Its Morrow 1 skidded to the right is drilling at 2513.

The Humphreys Brown well is shut down today.

Mrs. M. E. Griesom of Groesbeck and J. K. Smith of Bremond were in the city Thursday, each representing their side in the sale of the Carpenter Hotel.

Half Billion Irish Booty

DUBLIN, May 21.—It will cost upwards of \$600,000,000 to repair the damage done by De Valera's "irregulars" since the foundation of the Irish Free State, according to a statement made by Kevin O'Higgins, Minister of Home Affairs.

Numerous serious financial and legal difficulties face the Free State authorities according to the same official not the least of which are to decide "who owns what and why, and how?"

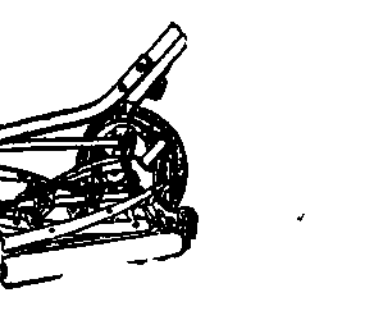
"There are people who got rich quickly during the last ten months," declared O'Higgins, "and who have in their possession property and land to which they have not a scrap of legal title."

The Free State authorities have recovered much looted property, but it has not been easy to establish the actual owners thereof, and many looters have converted their ill-gotten gains into cash, with which they have made big purchases of land, etc. Endless lawsuits are promised.

One recalls him who died in battle that there should be no more war.

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Carpenter Hotel Changes Owners

J. L. Bush, proprietor of the Bremond hotel at Bremond, Texas, has purchased the Carpenter hotel of this city and will run both places, but has decided to move his family here, owing to the many advantages found in this city in way of good churches, schools and the modern conveniences as well as being the liveliest town in Texas.

Mrs. Bush and sons, J. L. Jr. and Master Louis arrived Saturday to join Mr. Bush. After a few days visit here the sons will make several weeks visit at their former old home Franklin and will also visit relatives in Houston.

Mr. Bush while out viewing the city was much pleased with the many beautiful homes and street improvements here.

Mr. Bush is a brother of Judge H. A. Bush formerly of Groesbeck, but now of Franklin.

We speak success for such a live progressive man as Mr. Bush, who comes to join with and be one of the pushers of the best town in Texas.

The Carpenter has always enjoyed a fine trade of the best citizenship. Our city is to be congratulated upon being able to locate such estimable people in our midst. The entire family belong and are active members in the Christian church of their former home and we feel sure they will receive a pleasant greeting here.

Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter will be here for a few days yet before leaving.

S. J. CARPENTER AND FAMILY PLAN TO MOVE

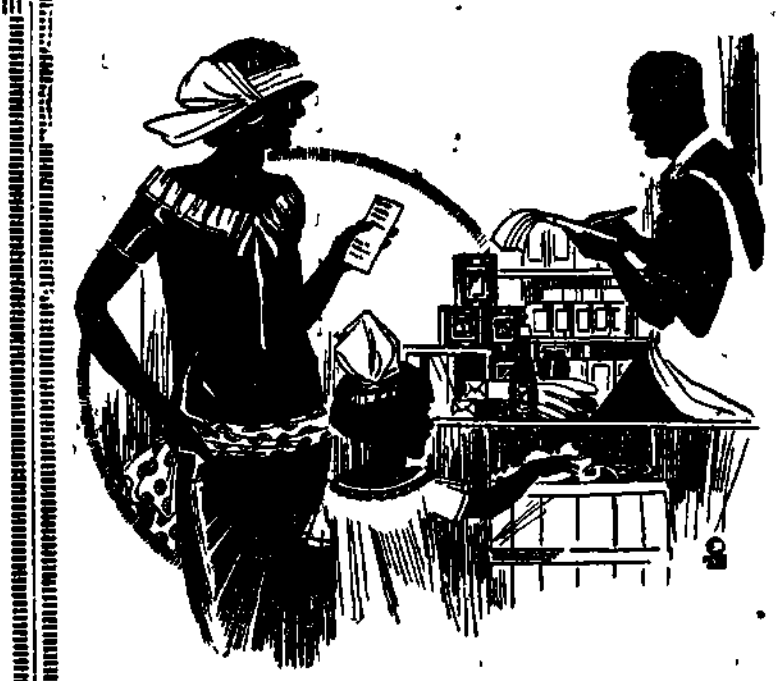
Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Carpenter of the Carpenter Hotel have recently sold to J. L. Bush of Bremond, Texas, The Carpenter hotel which opened here in October, 1921, and has enjoyed a splendid business always maintaining a high standard.

Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter will join son, A. W. at Oklahoma City where on June 1, they will all leave with the India Shrine Special train for the Imperial Council at Washington, D. C. After the convention is over their complete train goes to New York for three days and on over to Montreal, Canada where they will be guests of Karmach Temple for a day returning via Niagara Falls to Detroit, Chicago, and St. Louis. Here the Carpenters will leave the special train going to north Missouri their old home, from there they will return to Oklahoma City for a short time before departing for California their future home.

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ETCHISON-JONES
A. R. Etchison of the Wholesale firm of Stamp and Etchison is now a Benedict. Thursday of last week, at the home of the bride's parents, at Hemphill, Texas, he was linked in happy wedlock to Miss Sulema Jones of that city, the Methodist pastor of that place officiating at the beautiful ceremony. Their courtship prior to the wedding day was of but brief duration but the fervor of their love, measuring up to the demands of "Love at first sight," is such that they are now journeying together on a long romantic pilgrimage, flocked like the heavens with bright stars and sunniness.

The queen of this affair arrived in Mexia three weeks before the wedding day, on a visit with Mrs. Tom Nolan with whom she roomed while attending the University of Texas, of which she is a graduate in the class of '20. Miss Jones, as she was then known, formed many acquaintances and as many friends here, and it was on this visit that the romance with Mr. Etchison began. She is a lovely young lady, talented and of most winsome personality, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Jones of Hemphill, Texas. Mr. Jones is known as one of the leading and most influential business men of that part of Texas.

She left for her home the early part of the week. Mr. Etchison left for the same point Tuesday and Thursday the wedding occurred. They left immediately afterwards for Houston and other points "Somewhere in the U. S. A." for a brief honeymoon, following which they will return to Mexia where they will make their future home.

Mr. Etchison is a member of the firm of Stamp and Etchison, Wholesale Produce Dealers, a well established firm of this city. He has resided here for the past two years.

Sombody put one over
Eggs are round and so are doors, but it'll be a long time before they show-angle like—put one over on you. You get Darcova service out of every valve cup that isn't a genuine Darcova.

The valve cups that have you re-cupping and the marks on your face, are looked Darcova. Accept no other.

DARCOVA VALVE CUP
Look for the flame

S. M. U. Has Large Class

DALLAS, Texas, May 21.—One hundred and nineteen candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts and five for that of Bachelor of Music compose the largest senior class in the history of the Southern Methodist University.

Publication of the list of seniors on Senior Recognition day showed a total of 72 girls and 47 boys applying for the arts degree. Last year's class numbered one hundred and eight.

Fifty-four Texas towns are represented in the class. Dallas leads with 44 applicants. Eight other states are represented by ten members of the class.

having come to Mexia from Waco. His friends are numbered by the hundreds and all that know "Etch" as one of the finest young business men of Mexia, a Christian gentleman and congratulations will be numerous and fervent when they learn of his happy wedding day last Thursday.

You owe your complexion a fair chance
It is the daily care that counts. Let an expert advise you what to use, and how to use it.

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DALLAS PEOPLE BUILD A HOME EVERY 49 MINUTES

Dallas telephone engineers have figured that a new home was completed in Dallas every forty-nine minutes during 1922.

New homes by the hundreds were built in every section of the city reaching a grand total of more than 5,000 which were completed.

On the basis of an eight-hour day,

eliminating Sundays and holidays, it is figured that a new home was completed every forty-nine minutes.

Great pleasure to hear the birds singing in the tree tops, especially when in these days of high cost of living they sing "cheep cheep."

Suspicion has undermined friendship supposedly cemented upon the fields of battle.

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What Wonderful Feelings of Pride, Contentment, Protection and Happiness Surrounds Ideal Homes

Yes, the ideal home is a wonderful place. The pride, contentment and happiness you receive, together with love and devotion, strengthened by the knowledge that permanent protection is assured yourself and loved ones, makes its ownership man's greatest achievement.

But there is a difference between a house and a home. Home means distinctiveness, convenience, ownership. A house is simply a make-shift existence—owned by indifferent people who may at any time decide to pull it down and build something else, raise your rent, order you to move—you have no recourse but to obey.

It's your duty and privilege to acquire a real HOME now, while it is possible; it's our business to provide you with suitable plans, there are hundreds to select from in our Photographic Plan Service—and it is also our business to furnish you with first class materials of all kinds which will assure permanency. The advice of our experts is constantly at your disposal. See us today or let us know your wants and our representative will call on you.

J. R. Neece Lumber Co.
PALESTINE STREET
PHONE 35



Richard Barthelmess
in "The Bright Shawl"

At the National Theatre Monday,
Tuesday and Wednesday.

PLAYGROUNDS INTEREST SALESMEN OF CITY

During the coming few days there will be something definite decided relative to the Chautauqua coming to Mexia this week. R. A. "Dick" Wagner, live wire leader of the Salesmanship club has received word from the management of a well-known entertainment agency regarding dates and other details. This matter was discussed at the last week meeting of the Salesmanship Club. The Chautauqua was discussed and it has been decided to contribute the proceeds of the entertainments to start a playground fund for the children of Mexia.

At the last week meeting of the club the subject of playgrounds was discussed by Charles Porter Timbley who told of the advantages of playgrounds in part as follows:

"Some of the smallest as well as the largest cities and towns in the United States are adopting systems of playgrounds for the children. In the first place it is one of the greatest factors in moulding future citizenship and safeguarding the child. The functions of supervised playgrounds are to provide safe places

for play, decrease juvenile delinquency, break down race prejudice, educate through play and to build up the health of the future citizens.

"There are several places available for playgrounds in this city and with out a doubt there are public spirited citizens owning open plots of ground who will be willing to cooperate with the committee in charge and give them the use of some for the experiment. It is safe to say that after the first playground is opened and the results are shown that next year it will not be hard to have ample appropriations made to have a complete system installed in Mexia.

"It has been proven in other cities that the accidents among children are greatly decreased in places where they have playgrounds. Generally the children will appreciate the entertainment provided and make the playground their rendezvous during their spare time. The instructors for the girls and the boys will be chosen as to their qualifications for the work, this serves to have them an inspiration in helping form good habits. Children have more need of models than of critics. Never fear spoiling children by making them happy; happiness is the atmosphere in which all good affections grow."

Figures were quoted from the city of Detroit, which showed that the playgrounds have been in great demand since starting in 1914. In that time beginning with odds and ends of undeveloped vacant property, the report for last year showed that the voters of the city appropriated \$3,044,410 last year for parks and playgrounds. It was figured last year that the total cost of providing recreation for the children per capita cost for the year was about twenty cents. For the amount of happiness it gives it is hard to furnish an argument against the playground movement.

SCRAPPING BATTLESHIPS
PHILADELPHIA.—Four of the "Eagles of the Sea," the Kansas, Louisiana, New Hampshire and Minnesota—now being scrapped at the Philadelphia navy yard. These first class battleships are being scrapped under the provision of the Arms Conference Treaty. While actual obliteration of the vessels has not been started, the dreadnoughts have been stripped of their equipment so they are practically useless as fighting crafts. All essential equipment has been removed and placed on other vessels.

Wild animals are said to be decreasing, but you would never know it while listening to the noise of the kid ball games in Mexia.

Flappers To Wear King Tut Anklets

CHICAGO.—King Tut pocket flask are the latest thing developed by the world-wide craze for Egyptian styles. P. J. Coffey, a manufacturing jeweler of Newark, told the jewelers here. "What would old King Tut think," said Coffey, "if he awoke from his sleep of thirty-five centuries and learned that flasks neatly engraved with his portrait and hieroglyphic signature and filled with moonshine and other period liquor were being carried on the hip by our people? They are sterling silver and the 'tomb motif' in ornamentation is bizarrely attractive. Prohibition has brought in a vogue for flasks and cocktail shaker as wedding gifts."

Anklets and amulets, Coffey said,

were coming into vogue as a result of the Egyptian fad.

"Don't be surprised," he said, "if you see a flapper on the avenue with gold, silver, or white-gold cerclets studded with semi-precious stones dangling about her ankle. They are wearing them in Paris and London and they will soon be on this side of the water."

"Egyptian of Tut-Ankh-Amen's time knew nothing of diamonds. Their gems were emeralds, sapphires, rubies, carnelian, lapis lazuli, turquoise, onyx and other translucent stones. These are renewing their hold on the public. Jade is also having a wide vogue."

"Both masculine and feminine jewelry stones in colors and modes reflect the fashions that dazzled the cities of the Nile when the sphynx was in infant."

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Real men love their families. While they are living they rake and scrape and struggle and fight for them. They want homes and food and clothing for them—rightfully so—but it isn't enough.

Their need for his protection is much greater when—as often happens—the bread-winner is called to join the Choir invisible before his plans are matured.

Pity them then who must undergo hardships and privations and sometimes want for even the necessities of life, because of father's lack of foresight or his habit of procrastination.

Isn't the thought worthy of your consideration?

If, after facing the facts, you decide you need help in your planning, or in the execution of your plans, may this bank not be of use to you?

Many others use us to their advantage—so could you.

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Cuba.

Eclipsing
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of the many
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tists who
created it.

Scarlet, Silken Threads that Whirl to Wonderment

—the flaming fringe of the Bright Shawl
flung in mystery about La Clavel, vivid
Andalusian dancer.

—weaving through strange adventure, de-
ceit, delight in Cuba's purple nights.

—binding the heart of an American boy
until he fought for her, lost her when she
smiled in sacrifice—a new hue in the
Bright Shawl—dark crimson where it hid
her heart.



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splendor!

Special
Organ Music

The Directors of the Humphreys Oil Com-
pany have declared a regular quarterly dividend
of three per cent (seventy-five cents per share)
and an extra dividend of one per cent (twenty-
five cents per share), payable June 15th, 1923, to
the stockholders of record at the close of busi-
ness, May 31st.

William Reed
Secretary

The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

CLASSIFIED RATES—One cent a word for each insertion. No single ad taken for less than 25 cents. Everybody reads these little ads so if you want to buy, sell, or have lost or found anything, it is where you can get good results. No advertisement accepted over the telephone except from those who have a Regular Charge Account.

LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Sterling silver Eversharp pencil with initials H. G. P. engraved on it. Return to 604 E. Rusk street and receive reward. 21d3D

LOST—Fox Terrier, leather harness, with brass trimming. Bob tail. Reward for return to 937 E. Milam. 20D7

LOST—Purse containing several dollars, Masonic, Elks, Solomanship, and several other cards. Finder return to C. L. Tatum at News office and receive reward. 20D2

LOST—White Georgette suit on Groesbeck road. New, bought at R. E. Hickman's. Return to Hickman store. Mexia. Reward. 20D3

WANTED TO BUY—E

WANTED—A refrigerator, state size and price. Box E, L. J. Publes, Mexia, Texas. 20E1

WANTED TO BUY—Second hand oil well machinery pipe or casing any quantities. We will inspect and pay cash. Communicate with us before selling elsewhere. Texas Supply Company, Houston, Texas. 16d7E

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10th.

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—three room unfurnished house, bath, lights, water and gas, 605 E. Lathrop, between Bonham and Kaufman 17d4K

FOR SALE—J

FOR SALE—Milk cow giving three gallons of milk per day, see P. Boyer, six miles east of Mexia at Cotton Gin. 18d2J

FOR SALE—Pecan orchard, Five acres pecan orchard will be sold to first purchaser, as demonstration, at about the price of the adjacent unplanted land. The trees will be planted in the fall of 1923, and cared for until they take root; only finest variety of "pappershell" pecan will be planted. This land is only one mile from San Saba court house and post-office, reached by two auto roads, and as fine a location as there is in Texas. Should be worth \$500, per acre within five years. A down payment of \$250. will swing this deal; balance in reasonable monthly payments. Here is a cracker jack opportunity for some live wire who acts quickly. A. W. Woodhuff, San Saba, Texas. 20d1J

SPECIAL SALE—Furniture House—hold goods and dishes, bed springs and mattress complete from \$5 to \$15 two burner gas plate \$2, three burner gas plate \$3, sheets 50c, feather pillows 50c, dinner plates 15c, chair 50c, dressers good as new \$10, kitchen cabinet \$10, ice box \$10 up to \$20, tables \$1, wood cook stoves \$7 to \$10, come and look over our stock and save money we have better values than you can find elsewhere, four burner new Perfection oil stove with oven only \$9. Auction store 117 East Palestine street, one block north of City National Bank. 20d4J

FOR SALE—Smith and Barnes self player piano, used one week. If you are looking for a bargain it will pay you to see me. Ray Armstrong, Jimmie Cafe. 20d4J

BUILDINGS—Bought for wrecking. Must be reasonable. Wreck also for account. Second hand material all times on hand. Deans Lumber yard. Mikolash. 16d7J

FOR SALE—Potato clips at Wilson & Forrest Grocery store on Sherman street or see Luther Cox south end of Ross. Any quantity. Wilson & Forrest Phone 65. Luther Cox Phone 599-W. 16d3J

OWNER leaving for Washington offers their sport model electric shift auto in fine running order, 6 cord 2000, cost \$3,600. Sacrifice for \$750. Some terms to responsible party. Call at 501 East Carthage, phone 914. 20J3

FOR SALE—Stop paying rent. Small house and nice lot. Close in, fenced, water on it, good terms, might consider car. 314 E. Hopkins. 20J1

WILL SELL CHEAP—Electric ceiling fan, good as new, also three and four piece set of bath room fixtures, also one barber chair outfit, see Wildeman, 117 E. Palestine street. 21d2J

FOR RENT—Two nicely furnished housekeeping rooms. Bort Capps, 200 Travis street at south end of McKinney. 21d7J

WE BUY SELL AND EXCHANGE second hand furniture. Also bargains all this week. Walton Furniture Co., 62 City Hall, Mexia. By Postoffice Corsicana. 16d7J

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If the potatoes raised in the garden this summer look as big as pictured in the seed catalog, neither the cellar nor the woodshed will be able to hold them.

STOP THAT ITCHING

There is a lot of skin trouble among school children this spring. We will sell you a jar of Blue Star ointment guaranteed for Itch, Eczema, Tetter or Cracked Hands, Ringworm, Old Sores and Sores on School Children. Will not stain clothing and has a pleasant odor. Mexia Drug Co. (Adv.)

ROOMS FURNISHED—L

FOR SALE CHEAP—Nice 5 room house, sleeping porch, on good lot close in, stop renting, small cash payment, balance monthly. Might consider some trade. Non-resident. Agents list. Best offer takes it. 314 E. Hopkins. 20L1

FOR RENT—Two furnished light housekeeping rooms with modern conveniences, also a two room house. Lots of shade. 312 N. Canton Street. 20L2

FOR RENT—Cool comfortable room. Modern, corner of Sherman and Milam. 223 E. Milam. 20L2

FOR RENT—One large furnished housekeeping room in garage on paved street. Lights and water furnished. \$15 per month. 400 East Rusk St. 20L7

FOR RENT—Two and three-room light housekeeping apartments, water and light furnished. 300 E. Titus. 20L6

FOR RENT—Four upstairs rooms for men, double beds, each \$2.50 per week. Also housekeeping rooms on first floor. \$20.00 per month for two rooms. Conveniently located. 515 N. Sherman street. 15d7L

FOR RENT—Five room house close in on Sherman street. Call 171 or 603-J after 6 o'clock. 16d5L

FOR RENT—Two and three room furnished apartments. Also two room furnished house. Light, gas and water. Gates Apartments, 843 East Commerce street. 16d3L

FOR RENT—Two and three light housekeeping apartment, water and lights furnished. 300 E. Titus. 17d7L

REMOVAL NOTICE—Hemstitching machine formerly at Wardrobe Exchange now at the Womens Shop 121 N. McKinney street, City Hotel building. 16d7P

CONGRESS PASSING TOO MANY SPECIAL LAWS; RED MENACE

MUSKOGON, Mich., May 21—Congress is passing too many laws of a special nature and thereby is aiding in the cause of unrest, according to Representative James C. McLaughlin, of Muskogon, now dean of the Michigan delegation in the House at Washington.

"A great majority of the laws passed today are of a special nature and they will not stand the test of time," he stated. "The result is that there is a general feeling of dissatisfaction and this leaves a fertile field for the undermining of the Government at Washington by radicals. Today we

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1885, and recorded in Vol. 143; Page 588 of the deed records of Limestone county, Texas, said 100 acres being situated about 14 miles south of the town of Groesbeck and more particularly described as follows: Beginning on the west boundary line of the original A. G. McNeal survey, at the S.E. corner of lot No. 5 thereof; thence north sixty degrees east 1053 varas to the west boundary line of said A. G. survey; (12) in said survey; thence south 30 east 581 varas to a stake, thence south east corner of this tract; thence south sixty degrees west 1063 varas to the west boundary line of lot No. McNeal survey; thence north thirty degrees west 631 varas with said line to the place of beginning, being the same land conveyed by John O'Neal and wife to M. R. Parish by deed dated October 18th, 1920, and recorded in Vol. 105 Page 327, of the deed Records of Limestone county, Texas, and levied upon as the property of M. R. Parish and Annie Parish, and that on the first Tuesday in June, 1922, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door, of Limestone county, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale, I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said M. R. Parish and Annie Parish.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone county.

Witness my hand this 9th day of May, 1923.

WHIT POPEJOY
Sheriff Limestone County, Texas.
By N. P. Harris, Deputy. 10-17-24

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any constable of Limestone County—Greeting:

W. D. Pittman, Executor of the estate of Mrs. Emma Pittman, deceased, having filed in our county court his final account of the condition of the estate of said Mrs. Emma Pittman, deceased together with an

application to be discharged from said Administration.

You are hereby commanded, that by publication of this writ for twenty days in a newspaper regularly published in the county of Limestone, you give notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate, to file their objections thereto if any they have, on or before the June term A. D. 1923, of said county court, commencing and to be holden at the court house of said county, in the city of Groesbeck, on the first Monday in June, A. D. 1923, when said account and application will be considered by the court.

Witness, J. L. Day, clerk of the county court of Limestone county.

Given under my hand and seal of said court at my office in the city of Groesbeck, this 9th day of May, A. D. 1923.

J. L. Day,
Clerk County Court Limestone County, Texas.
By Anna Burney, Deputy.
A true copy I certify.

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Dorothy Gish in 'The Bright Shawl'

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Mrs. Ethel Crocker White

Called Meeting
Masonic Lodge

There will be a called meeting of Springfield Lodge No. 74, A. F. and A. M., tomorrow (Tuesday) night at 8 o'clock for work in the F. O. degree. Visitors are always welcome.

M. B. WEBB, W. M.

You never can tell. Many a ball player will steal a base who never lobbed a hen roost in his life.

BENSON'S JAZZ ORCHESTRA AT THE OPERA HOUSE
As an added attraction the Opera House has secured the Benson Jazz Orchestra to play at the theatre tonight, in conjunction with the picture "The Kentucky Derby." This orchestra is said to be one of the best out of the state of California. They are playing their way from San Francisco to New York City. Those who have heard them say that they are unusually good.

If you would be a hero to your valet you must be your own valet.

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Local News

The children whose parents used to walk a long distance to school, now complain about the make of the automobile that is sent for them to ride in.

The government still gives an income taxpayer some exemption for his wife and children, but pretty soon it will probably tax them as luxuries.

The ladies of the Methodist church had a social meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Don't forget the census committee meeting Thursday at 8 o'clock at the Baptist church.

The Coolidge graduation exercises will be held tonight and many of the Mexia people will attend.

The First Christian church will have a Friendship Luncheon Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

H. F. Miles of the J. K. Hughes Development company is in Covales to look at the company.

The J. K. Hughes attended the funeral of the late Mrs. J. K. Hughes which was held in Covales Sunday.

The people who have let it be known that they have not so far called on one who has called on them.

Much is being said about making historic spots, and the boys are attending to the same with their pencils and jackknives on the schoolhouses.

Some one asks why "berries" is used as a slang word for dollars, instead of "back" or "buck" as formerly? Probably because in these high price times dollars look about the size of huckleberries.

Mrs. W. R. Store, will entertain this evening at 6 o'clock with a very delightful dinner for the officers and teachers of the primary department of the Central Presbyterian church.

Fish dealers solemnly announced that this is a backward season in crabs.

"Yes, there's fellow who is a dismal failure at inventing excuses, for instances."

A woman doesn't mind having reflections cast upon her if they come from a mirror.

Something always happens to the man who flirts with temptation just to show how strong he is.



FOR BETTER SIGHT

Refraction is an exact mathematical science and the principle may be understood by other than medical men. But if you need glasses, you should have your eyes examined by some one who would recognize a diseased condition as well as a simple defect. Every case is an entity unto itself, no two are exactly alike. If you need glasses, come to my office and I will give you the benefit of a medical as well as technical examination at no additional cost.

The very best glasses \$3.50 to \$25.00.

DR. SHIREY

Doctor Of Divinity
Degree Conferred on
David Carson Bayless

Dr. David Carson Bayless Sunday delivered the baccalaureate sermon at Ohio Northwestern University at Ada, Ohio. He left here the Thursday before Sunday for the purpose and to remain over a few days in the University town for other commencement affairs. Wednesday he will receive a degree of Doctor of Divinity conferred by the Ada institution.

Colonel Albert E. Humphreys sent a nice contribution by him to the student YMCA at Ohio Northwestern.

Nationalism of the old order in Europe once more is given full play and the fires of hatred are kindling new wars.

Peoples whose governments fought the war today are suffering as not even during the madstrom that fired the European continent for more than four years.

The spirit of peace and good will counted upon to seal the victory has taken flight.

America's ideals for which tens of thousands of lads gave their lives are today shunted aside.

There are many people who say just what they think. In fact they are more numerous than popular.

The Cynical Bachelor observes that a fellow must be mighty near sighted to kiss the wrong girl by mistake.

Father says the boys would develop a splendid baseball muscle if they would take hold and wheel the ashes out to the dump.

Some people think the world is in for another upheaval, and anyway the time has come for spring house cleaning.

Bickerings of statesmen has led to chaos.

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Fireproof

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SEE THE DIRTIEST RUG IN MEXIA CLEANED
IN OUR WINDOW TONIGHT AT 8:00
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MARVELOUS MAGNETIC HOUSE CLEANER

That has

36 EXCLUSIVE
FEATURES

Not found on any other cleaning device in the world.

—Mrs. Ruby Roegge from Chicago, nationally known home expert, will be at our store today and tomorrow to demonstrate the Magnetic House Cleaning Process, and to answer all questions regarding cleaning problems to the housewives of Mexia.



A PERSONAL MESSAGE

—In keeping with our standing policy of handling only the best merchandise obtainable, we announce the addition to our store of this wonderful magnetic house cleaner that has our endorsement and that is better than the best electric cleaner on the market. It costs no more than the inefficient ones.

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—A beautiful material for making sport dresses and skirts. Assorted colors and large checks. Reduced from \$1.95 and selling per yard \$1.65

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—40 inches wide in plaids of beautiful colors. Used in making sport dresses of high quality.

DOTTED SWISS

—In blue, green, pink and rose in several grades. Very pretty for making summer dresses.

PRINTED BATISTE

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WONDER CREPE

—For making sport wear this material of silk is unsurpassable. Colors to be obtained are Strawberry, Oakwood, Almond Green and Taupe.

SILK PONGEE

—In an assortment of pretty colors for making blouses. Prices are very reasonable.

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—We have an assortment of this pretty material in a large color range. Moderately priced.

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We have a most complete line of toilet articles in the Melba line. Line is composed of—

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—Face Cream
—Perfume
—Olive Oil Soap
—Rouge
—Talcum
—Eye Brow Pencils

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Sax For
Children

—in colors of Pongee, Brown, Black and White. Size range runs from 6 1/4 to 9 1/2. Priced from 35¢ to 65¢

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—In new colors in leather and paislee silk. Fitted with coin case, lip stick, vanity and powder box. Prices are very attractive.

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—We have a vast assortment of all new handkerchiefs; embroidered and stitched. Pretty colors predominate.

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Come in and see our new display of summer parasols. Pretty in solid and paislee colors. Many are trimmed in embroidery of rich thread.

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HUGHES-McKIE FIRE PUT OUT SUNDAY NIGHT

Entire Section Rejoices and Week Opens Auspiciously

Conservation Program May Kill College

AUSTIN, May 21.—In keeping with the conservation program as outlined in the governor's proclamation calling the third called session, a movement is now on foot to repeal the bill creating the Texas Tech

Lightweight Champion to Wrestle Here

"Kid" Thomas, lightweight champion of the world, and "Kid" Florie, local sensation, weight 145 pounds, will furnish the main show for the most important athletic event that the American Legion here has yet staged. The contest will be held Tuesday night at the American Legion Airdome on Commerce street.

ANOTHER NOTE TO BE SENT REGARDING HOSTAGES

By RAY G. MARSHALL (United Press Staff Correspondent) PEKIN, May 21.—Fighting continues today around the mountain top where the Chinese bandits have placed their foreign captives including Americans.

These white men have been prisoners for two weeks. The diplomatic corps today, after reviewing the situation, decided to send a new note to the Government, asking why fighting is permitted to go on, with increasing danger to the lives of hostages.

It is feared that the outlaws will execute their threat to kill two foreigners Tuesday night unless the troops cease their attacks. The Chinese authorities from the beginning have opposed yielding and withdrawing the soldiers. They favor pressing the attacks even at the cost of foreign lives.

Fred Kerner is in Powell today.

CONDITION OF BONAR LAW IS UNCHANGED TODAY

LONDON, May 21.—A slight operation was performed on the throat of Andrew Bonar Law today, an official bulletin from the bedside of the Premier who resigned last night, stated today.

"Otherwise Mr. Bonar Law's condition is unchanged," says the bulletin.

Twenty-Four Die in Auto Wrecks On Sunday

DALLAS, May 21.—(Copyrighted) Twenty four persons were killed and 160 were injured in automobile accidents in twenty nine cities over the week end, it was shown in the week compilations by the United Press today.

Mexia-Sims Is Setting Casing Near Personville

Wylie Sims of the Mexia-Sims Oil Syndicate of Personville, while here today stated that the test being made there had been standardized and the work of setting casing has begun. Mr. Sims says that a good showing has been encountered, that is a good sand has been penetrated and he feels much encouraged in the test which has reached down to a depth of 3657 feet. It is due southeast of here about twelve miles, "as the crow flies" but about eighteen miles around the roads. The test is in the north end of the W. W. Sims 332-acre tract. The Mexia-Sims has about 1600 acres in the vicinity of the wildcat test, while considerable acreage is leased up by other companies.

He reports that he has made his plans to drill deeper, if necessary to bring the well in. Mr. Sims has worked faithfully for nearly two years in sending the bit down and hundreds of his friends who have watched him work with growing admiration are hopeful that he will get a well, opening up another pool in this part of Texas. Mr. Weaver, well known here, is head driller, it is learned.

The Bluffs knocked Payne out of the box in the second, scoring five times, and easily defeated the Bears, 8 to 4.

In two hard hitting contests, the Sanderbats two the first from the Exporters, 9 to 8, but dropped the second 10 to 5.

The Spudders scored three runs in the seventh, and nosed out ahead of them Cats, 5 to 4.

U. S. And Other Powers To Send Another Ultimatum

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The United States and other powers decided to send another note to the Chinese government, demanding that the government troops surrounding Shantung bandits be withdrawn. This announcement was made today by the State Department in making public further reports from the American Legation in Peking regarding American and other foreign prisoners of the brigands.

MEXICO CITY, May 21.—Charles Parmelee, Jr., kidnaped son of a former Los Angeles resident, returned today under circumstances as mysterious as his disappearance. Parmelee, Sr., and his divorced wife, who had custody of the child, had been reconciled and all suits and counter suits were withdrawn. After the wife cancelled action, the father succeeded in procuring the child, it is said. The boy was kidnaped from children's school several weeks ago, causing an international search.

Judge H. B. Daviss came down from Corsicana this morning on his way to Groesbeck but was taken sick here with something like ptomaine poison, and was confined in his office during the day.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Central Presbyterian church enjoyed a most delightful all day outing at the reunion grounds today.

Oil Field And Farm Labor Find Safety In Tree Tops When Floods Fall At Sayre

Ballinger Sponsor Piloted by Herbert Kindred, Mexia Boy

SAN ANGELO, Texas, May 20.—It was announced Sunday night that Ballinger would send its sponsor, Miss Lola Eubanks, to San Angelo Monday morning by airplane. The plane, which will arrive at 10:30 o'clock, will be piloted by Herbert L. Kindred.—News Item.

Herbert L. Kindred, the pilot mentioned, is a Mexia reared boy, and the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kindred, now living here. Herbert lives in Temple and is the official pilot for E. K. Williams, editor and publisher of the Temple Telegram. He figured in the capture of the negroes at Fairfield, where a brother and sister reside. Mr. Fisher formerly resided here, where he was in charge of the shoe department of Karner & Phillips. His many friends here were pleased to see him again.

Day Resigns Mixed Claim Commission

WASHINGTON, May 21.—William R. Day, former Justice of the Supreme Court, resigned as umpire of mixed claims commission named to settle American war claims against Germany. The resignation was accepted. Edwin P. Parker of Texas, American member of the commission, will be named as umpire, it was indicated at the White House.

POLICE KIDNAP SINCLAIR AT FREE SPEECH MEET



Upton Sinclair, noted author and Socialist, was spirited away from a Free Speech meeting in Liberty Hall, Los Angeles, California, by a detail of police, headed by Police Chief Oaks.

While the colleges are preparing to graduate next month a lot of captains of industry, statesmen, and authors, what the country needs just now is more diggers, ploughmen, and dishwashers.

Blake and E. L. Smith of the E. L. Smith Oil Company are in Bartlesville and Tulsa this week on business for the company.

Reign of Terror Inaugurated By Obregon Enemies

Mexico City, May 21.—Enemies of the Obregon government have begun a reign of terror, in an attempt, it is believed, to prevent a satisfactory solution of the recognition conference now in session. In addition to three attacks since the first of the month, it is learned today that officials of the United States in Mexico City have received letters threatening their lives. Police camped about the apartments during the night.

HILLSBORO.—Mrs. Bob Little, 29, was burned to death here yesterday when fumes from the gasoline with which she had been cleaning her clothes, caught afire, igniting her clothing and the house. Her husband was painfully burned while attempting to carry her from the blazing house. It was believed the fumes caught from a stove nearby.

WINDOW.—Emmet Griffin, 50, was drowned in a futile attempt to save from drowning Hugh Jacobs, 12, near here. The lad shouted for help and Griffin went to his rescue. Although the water was not over the man's head the boy grasped him so tightly that he was pulled under.

Bryan and Morris, purling for Dallas held the Gassers well in hand, and the Steers won a twin bill, 8 to 1, and 3 to 2.

Young Dallas Lady Shot While Fishing Near Dallas Sunday

DALLAS, May 21.—Mrs. Geraldine Harris, 19, was accidentally shot and killed at a fishing camp near here late yesterday, when, according to members of the party, she was mistaken for an animal of some sort.

The woman had left the camp and made a disturbance in bushes nearby. One of the men of the party fully fired at the bush, it was said, and her body was found later.

Three members of the party are being held pending further investigation of the affair.

Colonel A. E. Humphreys left Saturday at noon for Denver to be at the bedside of his friend, Mr. Brown, of Charleston, West Virginia, who is seriously ill there. Mr. Brown called for the Colonel many times in recent days and he accordingly left to visit him as soon as possible. He will return in a few days.

San Angelo Entertains West Texas Chamber of Commerce

SAN ANGELO, Texas, May 21.—Thousands of persons from all parts of West Texas, and from many towns in the eastern part of the state, were here today for the opening of the fifth annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Special trains and hundreds of automobiles brought the visitors all day yesterday, and they were still arriving today.

San Angelo was in holiday attire. Thousands of flags fluttered above the streets and from fronts of business houses.

The executive board of the chamber was to meet this morning, at which time the convention would be formally opened.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION

Sunday's Results				
Corsicana 7, Austin 3.				
Mexia 8, Marlin 6.				
Waco 7, Sherman 1.				
Standing				
Club—	GP	W	L	Pct.
Mexia	29	21	7	.750
Sherman	29	17	12	.586
Corsicana	29	14	15	.483
Marlin	31	14	17	.453
Waco	30	13	17	.433
Austin	30	9	21	.300

Where They Play Today
Mexia at Marlin.
Waco at Sherman.
Austin at Corsicana

Much Rejoicing When Smoke and Blaze Disappear

The J. K. Hughes Developing company's McKie gusher which came in Tuesday night, May 8, and which caught on fire the next day, was extinguished at 7:20 Sunday night.

In all it burned a few minutes over 11 days and four hours, baffling several attempts to exterminate it, during which time thousands of dollars went up in climbing clouds of black smoke.

It was a fitting close to the day on which the last of its victims had been laid "at rest" and rejoicing is general throughout the section today, as a consequence. A few hours before, in Oakwood cemetery at Corsicana, the scant remains of the last six victims of the blaze were buried in a simple grave. The official count of those who lost their lives on the afternoon of the catastrophe, Wednesday May 9, shows that there were 13 killed. Early reports were that there were 16 who lost their lives on that occasion and there is much gratification that the official count shows three less than that.

Last Tuesday E. B. Simmonds and E. S. Edwards secured the material which was used in the successful efforts of Sunday afternoon. Mr. Edwards, who is Foreman on the Freeman lease returned Wednesday and was unable to be present Sunday when the final work was done.

C. G. Carter, auto mechanic for the Hughes interests here, was on the site when the fire was extinguished. When it became apparent that the fire was exterminated there went up a shout from hundreds of voices, pistols were fired, sirens shrieked and the news spread rapidly, until a few minutes later it was heralded with much gratitude in Mexia and all surrounding towns.

A "T" shaped mechanism was resorted to after steam and other methods had failed.

D. L. Kelley of the J. K. Hughes Developing Company was in charge of the work, assisted by Jack Crosby, Frenchie, a fireman from Corsicana and scores of helpers.

Mr. Kelley worked almost in the flames at times, said Charles W. Kennon of the Hughes Company this morning in discussing the heroic efforts to put out the fire. These men would rush in and work a few minutes "like fighting fire", while streams of water were constantly played upon them. If a stream stopped just for a short while, it was instantly noticeable.

A ten inch apparatus, inside of which was swedge to fit over the 6 1/2 inch casing through which the gushing oil and strong gas pressure was flowing. At the top of this piece was a Gate Valve. A flow line between the swedge and gate valve extended out to the side about 150 feet. A couple of "gin poles" were forked together and connected to the "T", so that the thing could be raised or lowered as desired. Cables were attached to the contrivance so that it could with these be pulled to any spot desired. When all was ready, the "T" was dropped over the hole and the gate valve was closed. Then when closed entirely, the flame disappeared. So powerful was the pressure of gas that the flame did not appear above the casing for probably a foot and a half and it was this fact that offered the principle on which the men worked. If the gas could be cut off, the blaze would go out, they figured. And it did, save that the heat was so terrific and some of the oil dropped down around the well, catching on fire instantly. While this was being done the gushing oil seeking the only outlet remaining charged out thru the flow line more than a hundred feet away into an earthen storage tank.

Steam was already up to assist in fighting the fire if necessary, and when the fires started around the base of the improvised fire fighting equipment, the boilers were pulled back a short distance and the steam soon extinguished every spark.

The atmosphere began to cool rapidly and it is likely that the gusher may be turned into storage in a few hours.

No gauge has yet been taken but it has been variously estimated as making at present anywhere from 5,000 to 10,000 barrels daily. Mr. Hughes, George Peyton, W. S. Banks, attorney for the company and others from here are in Powell today and will likely know in a few hours just how big the gusher is now.

The product was tested today and showed a gravity of 37.5 and is pure pipe line oil. The actual test shows three tenths of one per cent water which is exceedingly gratifying to the officials of the company and to all operators who are today getting "very busy" at Powell.

The field is starting on the busiest week known here this year and hourly new derricks are rising in the vicinity of the great gusher which is now an oil well and not a gigantic oil and gas fire.

Cruzon May Succeed Bonar Law

By LLOYD ALLEN (United Press Staff Correspondent) LONDON, May 21.—Marquis Cruzon of Redington, secretary of State for foreign affairs since 1919, is the most likely successor to the premiership from which Andrew Bonar Law resigned last night.

Ill health, a throat affliction from which his physicians held out little hope of immediate recovery, forced the Scotch Canadian who has been at the helm of British affairs since October to forward his resignation to King George by messenger. He was too ill even to pay the customary personal visit.

In many political circles it was expected the King would summon Lord Curzon to Aldershot today and charge him with forming a Ministry.

Curzon has many political enemies, however. It is reported Lord Derby for one would refuse to serve in a Cabinet under the present foreign secretary. There is also objection to having as Premier of Great Britain a man entitled to a seat in the House of Lords.

Consequently, Stanley, Baldwin, present chancellor of the exchequer is mentioned as second choice.

Lord Derby and the Earl of Balfour are next in line, while James Hogg, a prominent liberal is mentioned.

It is feared that dissension in the conservative ranks—"quarrelling over the bone,"—one morning newspaper describes it, may lead to a break in the party ranks, which will open the way for a government of the left, labor-socialist, or labor-liberal.

The morning papers all pay remarkable tribute to Bonar Law.

The latter's illness, which was serious a couple of months ago, forcing him to appoint Stanley Baldwin acting Premier and take a vacation, has grown rapidly worse in the last ten days. Bonar Law is secluded at his town house, scarcely able to speak. His doctors are not optimistic.

W. D. Freeman, who has been confined to his home for several weeks with high blood pressure, is reported to be improving, but he is still in a serious condition.

Regular meeting of the Eastern Star tonight at 8 o'clock. Every member is urged to come.—W. M.

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THE COURSE OF PRICES

Some financial authorities predict higher prices, perhaps rising well towards the peak of 1920. But the public groans as it looks back to that high stepping period. It realizes from various aches and bruises that the joy riding of that time landed the country in the ditch.

Perhaps the farmers, who had to take extremely drastic deflation, are entitled to some further recovery in their returns from certain staples. If they can get it through better delivery systems, rather than by taxing the consumer, everybody will be better off.

High prices check trade. There are always people whose incomes can't keep pace with increases in living costs. Millions of these folks declared a buyer's strike in 1920. The profiteering elements learned that while the American consumer has a very broad back, there are limits to his endurance. Load him too heavy, and he grits his teeth and sets his feet into the ground with a balky and wicked look in his eye.

The high prices of 1920 were caused by public extravagance, high cost production, and the profiteering spirit. When a producer finds the people shouting for his highest priced stuff faster than he can shove it out of the factory, he would have to be an angel not to tuck on a little additional percentage as a means of calming the popular excitement.

If the prices of 1920 are repeated in 1923, the depression of 1921 will probably recur in 1924. But the folks who had to sell their diamonds and fur coats in order to buy soups, have thought a few thoughts since that time, which tend to promote a certain degree of useful caution.

The business community should do its best to keep prices reasonable. The public can help. One way in this community is to watch the advertising in The Mexia Daily News and keep an eye on the merchants that announce special bargains. They are good folks to trade with, and they help keep the business machine running normally by a policy of quick sales and small profits.

I AM YOUR WIFE.

Oh, let me lay my head tonight upon your breast, And close my eyes against the light. I fain would rest; I'm weary and the world looks sad; this worldly strife Turns me to you; and, oh, I'm glad to be your wife!

Though friends may fail or turn aside, yet I have you And in your love I may abide, for you are true— My only solace in each grief and in despair, Your tenderness is my relief; it soothes each care, If joys of life could alienate this poor weak heart From yours, then may no pleasure great enough to part Our sympathies fall to my lot. I'd e'er remain Earnest of friends, though true or not, just to retain Your true regard, your presence bright thro' care and strife; And, oh, I thank my God tonight, I am your wife!

(Reprinted from "Heart Throbs", the great book of prose and verse, contributed by 50,000 people, and published by Joe Cheppie, editor of the National Magazine.)

WHY CITIES GROW

The rapid growth which many progressive cities and towns succeed in attaining has been one of the marvels of American life. People who are ambitious to have their own communities go ahead often ask how it is that these advancing places secure these quick gains.

Investigation would commonly show that such progress is not usually due merely to favorable locations. The citizens of such places have not sat down and waited for progress to come to them. They have done a lot of hustling themselves.

The reputation that a certain city is a live town has a lot to do with its advance. People like to buy real estate or engage in business in such communities, as they feel that investment values will gain. They enjoy the feeling of life and activity that prevails in such a city.

Bankers, business men, newspaper men, professional men, and all citizens of every walk or calling of life, who give the subject a moment of real thoughtful consideration know beyond a doubt that commercial organizations, Chambers of Commerce, Boards of Trade, have much to do with the advance of growing towns. The results that such organizations get are broader than that which shows on the surface. When men band themselves together in an active association such as that represented in a Chamber of Commerce, they usually achieve some of the definite results that they aim for, in the shape of public improvement, new industries and a better "morale."

The Mexia Chamber of Commerce has a history the past year of remarkable achievements.

But even if such an organization should go along for a period without some outward, physical evidence of accomplishment, the mere fact that the business men are working unitedly for new facilities and advantages, creates an atmosphere of progress. The activities of such an organization are reported in the newspapers and discussed at home and abroad. The idea spreads around that such a city is a place of active and working community spirit, where the people are hustling to get things done. When a place gets that kind of a reputation, to some degree, it will grow of its own momentum.

When June comes, let every business man in Mexia ponder along this line, "Fall in", joining the ranks of men and women who are to fight the Battles of Peace during the coming year for a bigger and better Mexia.

CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS
By N. P. HOUS.

Hamm-Bacon is the heading over an East Texas marriage notice, and a friend thoughtfully sent the happy pair a case of eggs as a wedding present. That's all right for the immediate present, but what will the harvest be?

One of our paid subscribers asked this question: If crude oil drops ten per cent how much per gallon should gas be advanced? Respectfully referred to Col. Hous—Koske Cyclone.

What for? We have neither crude oil to sell, nor a driver to buy gas for, so we are not interested person-

ally, and don't care nothin' about it anyhow.

The consolidation of state departments at Austin which was favored by a few daring legislators, was not at all popular and the bill to consolidate several state departments simply died. You can't consolidate departments without causing men to lose good jobs and hence the failure when consolidation is urged.—Tyler Morning Sun.

When you consider that most of the members of the legislature are alleged to be rabbit chasers and hillbillies, and therefore are now holding the best jobs they ever had, how can you blame them for wanting to stand in with the powers that be? Understand, now, we are calling them rabbit chasers and hillbillies, nor insinu-

ating that they are corrupt, and we are not going to do it. Let Hull Youngblood fight out that proposition with them, if he gets through building that other jail over in Louisiana in time to come back to Texas and serve his term in a Texas jail.

A man, being tried in Geneva for murdering his wife, declared his innocence and called upon God to strike him dead if he was guilty, and as he ceased speaking he fell dead in the witness box. This should be a warning to criminals trying to hide behind the cloak of God.

Oculists say that not more than one-third of the drivers of motor vehicles can see well enough to catch the signals of traffic officers and electric indicators. Not a very reassuring comforting statement for the traffic officers.—Sherman Democrat.

Maybe they are blinded by the bright lights of cars that they are always meeting everywhere they drive.

An East Texas editor and his wife were invited to take Sunday dinner at the local hotel. Here's the way he noted it in his Monday's issue. "For the benefit of our lady readers we will state that they had chicken and all the stuff that goes with such a layout and strawberry shortcake and lettuce and young onions. Our wife wore her blue and white and looked sweet for anything. The editor wore neaday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday suit and was sick all night.—Mineral Wells Index.

And still some people think the poor newspaper man does not have any troubles.

And the governor of Colorado finally made an appointment to fill a vacancy in the United States Senate, without listening to the advice of meddling outsiders.

Col. Hous wants a lawn-mowing marathon started and kept up during the summer. He has established a record of which he is very proud, making a straight run of fifty-five minutes, stopping only seven times to light his pipe and mop his brow. If he insists upon a contest, Koske may offer an entrant for honors. City Marshal Bryant can break the Hour record, and will do so if he can find somebody to furnish the lawn the mower, the pipe, etc.—Koske Cyclone.

It was not intended that this should be an amateur affair at all. We want only professionals in this marathon, men who own the lawn, the mower, the pipe, and sufficient "fillin'" in carry him through the several smokes. City Marshal Bryant is a jolly old sport, but unless he can show that he is qualified to enter this contest we don't want him "mossin'" around and getting in the way while trying to borrow the "working tools" for the game.

And now it is said that George Gould caught his "death of cold" while visiting the Valley of the Kings where Tut's tomb was discovered. We make no comment on the matter at all.

King Snake Emerges From Ear of a Cow

MCKINNEY, Texas, May 21—A nineteen inch king snake crawled out of the ear of a milch cow belonging to Charles Brookins near Blue Ridge when the animal was chloroformed to be examined for scraw worms here recently.

The cow had been acting queerly for some time so Brookins called in a veterinarian who decided that the animal must have scraw worms in the head. The cow had recently been doctored and it was thought the worms had become infected and caused the trouble.

The reptile died immediately after it reached fresh air, and was placed in a jar of alcohol. The incident caused unusual comment and not even the veterinarian could explain the presence of the snake.

Dallas Has Meanest Thief Yet Reported

DALLAS, Texas, May 21—A new entrant into the annals of the "meanest thief" is reported.

While H. Stevens, captain of one of the local fire stations was on duty saving a house and contents from total destruction, fighting the flames to save some person's home someone stole \$100 which he had left under his pillow at the station.

Police are searching for the applicant in to the hall of ignominy.

There are always some people who will heartily support a home hall team if they are given free admission to the games.

BUGHOUSE FABLES

HEY, BOYS. THERE'S A FIRE OVER ON NINTH AVENUE - IS IT TOO FAR OFF TO BOTHER ABOUT?

THANK TO TIP TOE EPPSTEIN

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THE EDITORIAL OF THE DAY

NEW ENGLAND THEN AND NOW
Waco Times-Herald.

The esteemed Philadelphia Record has this discussion at the expense of New England:

"A little study of the list of the 12 greatest living American women, selected by the National League of Women Voters discloses some interesting facts about their nativity. Not a single one hails from New England, which has been supposed to furnish more than its proportionate share of brains to the rest of the country. Four were born in the West; three in New York; three below Mason and Dixon's line, and two, Miss Beaux and Louise Homer, in Pennsylvania. If Miss Thomas could also be accredited to this State, which has been the scene of her life work, Pennsylvania and New York would stand on a parity in the production of brainy women. We don't understand New England's failure in this portentous matter. She has many capable men. Are not her women equally leaders in various lines of endeavor?"

That assumption of furnishing brains to the rest of the country is not so pronounced today as in former times, due to the fact that the New England we read about in the books moved down to New York and went on to Chicago and made considerable settlements out of Topeka and Des Moines and is right now kicking up its heels at Long Beach out there in California. There are a few left behind—Henry Lodge and Calvin Coolidge and three or four others, but the great body of the Puritans are either in New York City or west of the Mississippi River. Joseph Smith, who discovered the Book of Mormon, was a Vermont; John Brown, who went from Kansas to make the raid on Harper's Ferry, was a native of Connecticut. The blue laws of Connecticut were carried bodily into Kansas. The fiction that comes to us via Indiana is in large measure the product of New England, mellowed somewhat by Cavaliers out of Virginia. Here in Texas we have them from New England, from Maryland, from Virginia, from North and South Carolina, from Georgia—some direct and some by way of Kentucky and Tennessee and Alabama and Mississippi. Texas is truly cosmopolitan, Moses Austin being from Connecticut and Sam Houston from Virginia. But for Harvard and Yale and Brown Universities, no trace of the old New England could be found, save in Iowa and Kansas and California.

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Of course if it be the wish of By Heck and the ball club officers that we sit supinely by, fold our hands, muffle our tongues and spirits and let the rest of the world go by, then well and good. But Mexia has thrown off those tank-town habits and is sup-

posed to be strutting in the regalia of the ultra modern. If I am in error I am indeed sorry and those that joined in the rooting also join with me in repentance. Who's right?

FRED S. KARNER.

FROM THE PEOPLE

"Methodism's Greatest Humiliation"

The following was written by Rev. E. P. Williams, a former pastor of the Methodist Church in Mexia.

"Methodism has never committed a crime. Its record is stainless. Methodism has never espoused an iniquitous policy, or aligned itself with the cohorts of evil. Methodism has always been the champion of justice, and the protagonist of truth. Methodism has been energetically active in the propagation of the gospel, and the spreading of scriptural holiness. Methodism is evangelistic. Millions have been converted at its altars, and thousands of converts have been given to other denominations. Methodism has no apology to make to a sinful and godless world. It walks absolutely unafraid among other churches. Methodism has heard the call of the heathen world. It has sent hundreds of missionaries and spent millions of dollars, that the light of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ might dispel the darkness of idolatry and superstition. Methodism presents to humanity the most nearly perfect system of doctrine ever promulgated.

But Methodism has its humiliation. It has failed to hear the cry of the suffering and the dying, or hearing, has neglected to respond. No place of refuge, no couch or bed of comfort, has been prepared for the sick and suffering. Texas Methodism has stood aloof and has left the sick and suffering alone, or has watched with indifference the crippled and deformed as they passed painfully along the way of life. Other churches have seen, heard, and have rushed to the rescue, but Methodism has been concerned about other things. Methodism's humiliation must be taken away. The heart of Methodism has at last been deeply touched.

Our church is now planning to build three large hospitals in Texas. We are especially interested in the hospital to be erected at Fort Worth. The forward looking people of that progressive city, largely irrespective of denominational affiliation, have responded magnificently, subscribing \$500,000 on the million dollar hospital. The seventy-five thousand Methodists in the Central Texas Conference, outside of Fort Worth and Tarrant County, are called upon to duplicate what the Fort Worth district has done. The stalwart sons and consecrated daughters of Wesley must not fail in this hour of great opportunity."

A donation of \$10,000 will pay for a ward for twelve patients; \$5,000 a ward for eight patients; \$2,000 pays for a private room and \$1,000 pays for a semi-private room.

The powers of Europe are baring their teeth as angry wolves.

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Patterson's Column

This is a tribute to a companion. More than a score of years ago came the Pittman's to Mexia.

Since their store was opened nearly two score years ago than one—there have been perhaps a dozen, other concerns that have established themselves in the jewelry business here.

Today—with the exception of P. S. Park—not the name of one is remembered.

To have been engaged in any business for nearly forty years without have ONE displeased customer is a record—but to have been engaged in the jewelry business which above all others offers opportunity for sharp practices—is indeed remarkable.

It was my pleasure to call upon Pittman's as a traveling salesman. They were not customers, to a large extent of my house but their treatment was always cordial, and I liked them.

Mrs. Pittman—a wonderful woman in many respects—passed peacefully away at her home here a few months ago. She was in charge of the mechanical department of Pittman's store here for many years and it was generally conceded that she had no peer as a watch repairer.

When the Boom came, the Pittman's—to my knowledge—had splendid opportunities to sell out at enormous price, provided name and good-will would be delivered, but their answer was always the same—"THE PITTMAN NAME IS NOT FOR SALE."

Now, friends, if I can so serve the people of Mexia as have the PITTMAN'S—and have such a name for FAIRNESS, as they have—I shall be glad I came to Mexia whether I MAKE MONEY OR NOT. I thank you.

—PATTERSON.

He was a careless poet; still he ought To have known better, as he might have seen. With passion hot he wrote a burning thought, And sent it to a powder magazine.

The Clinging vine type of women is exemplified when some of the girls take their clinch holds of the men at the dances.

Bringing Up Father
By George McManus
which appears DAILY in
Mexia Daily News Soon

Jiggs is the chief character in the greatest of all comics.





J. K. Hughes and his Morrow No. 1, at Currie. This was the tightest producer for the J. K. Hughes Development Company, and its first successful wildcat. It is the greatest producer of high gravity oil known, and opens up a new and important area for development.

J. K. Hughes Has Brought In Many Producing Wells

OWNER OF TRAGEDY WELL
CONSTANT DIGGER
OF WELLS

By JAMES BLAIR HARRIS

Not much more than a year ago the J. K. Hughes Development company was organized at Mexia, and entered upon its career with the most encouraging signs of success. Its preliminary holdings seemed well chosen and promising, its president was, with an exception, the most successful operator that ever drilled along the Balcones fault, and its operating program seemed invincible. So kindly did the public respond to its stock offerings, that nearly \$1,700,000 was raised in a very few months and at a cost of approximately 9 per cent.

Even before the close of its financing campaign, Mr. Hughes was fortunate in bringing in a gusher on the Freeman lease, in the Mexia Fish Pond district. The well easily made 7,500 barrels during its flush period and with acreage then held adjacent and other acreage speedily acquired, Mr. Hughes at once put on a drilling campaign that set a new precedent for Texas operations. Perhaps fully fifteen wells were actually under way at one time in the various Fish Pond holdings of the new Hughes organization and from the apparent trend of production it seemed that J. K. Hughes was once more leading his followers to fortune, and by an exceedingly short route.

The drill prospered, but only the prolific oil sand disposes, and for all his pains, time, and tremendous expense, the Fish Pond campaign proved on the whole unsuccessful and with perhaps fully a dozen dry holes to his charge, and with at least several hundred thousand of dollars spent hopefully but not to best advantage. The new Hughes company had as a net result of its Fish Pond efforts only five average producers. Even the first Freeman well, after its initial flow, made only a very modest producer.

Dig Well at urrie

The Hughes star next arose a few months later in the Currie field, where on the famous McGaw tract, of more than forty acres Mr. Hughes secured four excellent producers and one dry hole. While in this part of the Currie field there has always been some water trouble, and the

difficulty of gas cutting, the J. K. Hughes Development company secured not only some excellent flush production, but also a steady, settled output that formed the backbone of the company's income from that time even to the present day. Later when the price of Mexia and Currie crude mounted, when Currie oil was bringing \$2.60 per barrel and Mexia and Currie crude as high as \$2.20 per barrel, the daily income from these two areas became important, and placed the Hughes organization in a much more hopeful position.

Last fall, Mr. Hughes decided upon another aggressive campaign for added production. He put on another stock selling campaign, and despite the fact that at its beginning stock in the Developing company was selling at around \$1 per share, in less than 90 days he had disposed of the remaining \$500,000 worth of stock remaining in the treasury. The company now had outstanding practically its entire capitalization of \$2,000,000.

Gets Oil at Laredo

Concomitant with its financing campaign and doubtless for the double purpose of stimulating that campaign as well as adding to his organization's daily crude output, Mr.

Hughes put on his second intensive developing campaign. One well was started at Richland, two in the Marlin area, one at Kosse, one near Greenville, one in Gonzales near the Luling producer, one in Zapata county and another in the Aviator district at Laredo. With the exception of the last named tests, every one of the above-named tests proved disappointing. Some of them have not yet been abandoned, but their promise from a present day viewpoint is indeed small. At Laredo Mr. Hughes got a nice producer, and on the 100 acre tract there now has seven producing wells and five more either under way or to be started at once. That the company will eventually have at least fifteen or twenty wells on this tract, with at least 1000 barrels or more daily settled production seems unquestioned.

Started last fall, during his intensive developing campaign, but delayed by an untimely fishing job, the J. K. Hughes Development company's Morrow 1, about one mile southwest of the Currie field proper came in some two weeks ago for gusher production. Estimated at first as a 5,000-barrel producer, the well steadily increased its flow until it was probably making fully 12,000 barrels daily for fully a week. The well's present output is probably not less than 6,000 barrels daily.

Is Interesting Well

There are several interesting things about the Hughes Morrow well. First it is, so far as known, the world's greatest producer of high gravity oil; second, it found production at 3,185 feet, or nearly 200 feet lower than the usual production starts in the Currie field; third, it was admittedly a wildcat, and opened up for intensive development a new area that will doubtless prove even larger than the original Currie field.

er than the original Currie field.

With Currie crude bringing \$2.30 per barrel as it did when the well first came in—it is now quoted at \$2.20) the Morrow well probably earned the Hughes interests fully \$30,000 daily for a number of days, and is still kicking away for its owners at the rate of fully \$15,000 per day, less royalty interests, and operating expenses, of course. Noting these facts, and also the further fact that the J. K. Hughes Developing company has nearly twenty-six acres in the Morrow tract, and sixty one acres on the same structure, in a nearby tract, one can readily understand why stock in the J. K. Hughes Developing company is steadily rising. As the former Mr. Post would have said, "there's a reason."

What seemed to be the crowning glory of the Hughes program came Tuesday night when the McKie 1 at Powell came in for colossal production. On 100 acres, fully one and one half miles from the Powell field, Mr. Hughes brought in by far the most important well ever completed in that area, another successful wildcat. The world now knows the tragic story of its accidental ignition, and of the half score of loyal workers whose lives were snuffed out in the mighty holocaust. There was no avoiding the tragedy—the material loss is forgotten in the cataclysmic loss of human life.

From a material standpoint comparatively little loss will result to the Hughes find at Powell. The angry flames will in course of time be subdued, the derrick and rig will be replaced, and many wells, perhaps a score of them, will eventually bring fortune to the Hughes family and following.

Mr. Hughes now has a greater personal fortune than he requires. His family and himself live simply, although well, and his great aim in life is to make his last and greatest company a real success. He has told the writer more than once that if the developing company ever went down,

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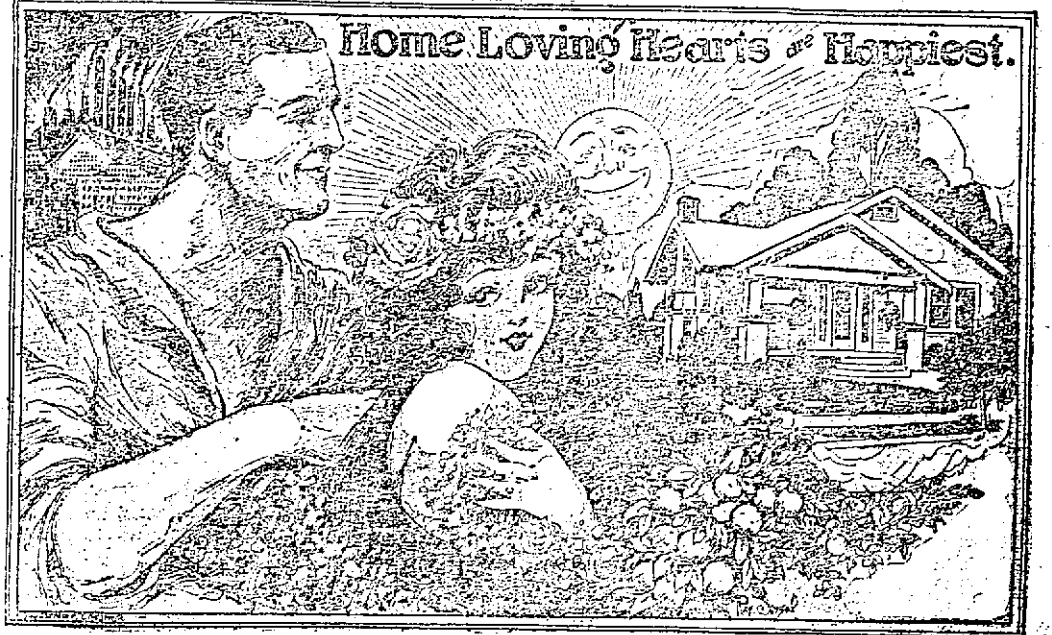
Office: Lusk Building

it would carry with it a large part of the Hughes fortune, and he meant every word of it. Instead of going down it seems indubitably headed on-wards and upwards. At present the firm has nineteen producing wells, with two additional wells now due

in at Smackover, several wells soon due at Laredo, and two more wells rushing downwards in the Morrow extension at Currie.

The J. K. Hughes Developing company has no stock for sale, in fact all it now offers for sale is

crude oil—and take it from one who has looked over its recent producers it has the oil, more than many of the great operating companies that have been in the field for years and spent millions in search of the elusive but lucrative "flowing gold."



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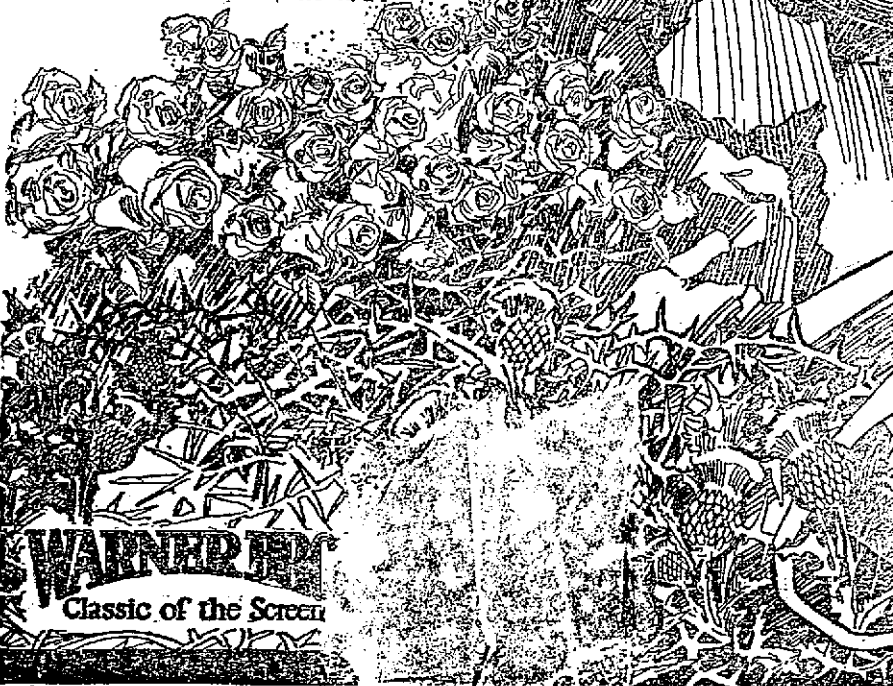
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Rangers Use Three Pitchers To Win Game Here Friday

By HECK

The Rangers finally beat the Gushers and chalked up their first victory after six defeats in a slow listless game 7-6. The game had few features and among those the home run swats by Henderson that cleared the Studebaker sign many feet and Holloway's drive that barely cleared the foul flag in right. The hitting of Butler and Howell were the main features of the Gushers play after Gappert, Royner and Butler pulled some infield plays that stood the fans on their ear. The injury of McCaw who got his fingers in the way of a line drive had much to do with the Gusher loss but even at that I guess we were just due for a loss—otherwise we would break the league by July 1.

Box Score	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
AUSTIN								
Johnson, lf	5	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
Charney, 3b	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	0
Holloway, rf	4	1	2	1	1	0	0	0
Falk, 2b	5	1	1	2	4	0	0	0
Crow, 1b	5	0	3	10	0	0	0	0
Clements, ss	5	0	1	6	1	0	0	0
Jamar, cf	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Henderson, c	4	1	2	2	0	0	0	0
Brooks, p	3	0	1	0	3	0	0	0
Collins, p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A. Johnson, p	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0

MEXIA	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Gappert, ss	4	0	1	2	6	1	0	0
Royner, 1b	2	0	1	12	0	0	0	0
Leedy, 2b	5	1	0	0	2	2	0	0
Butler, 3b	5	2	4	4	2	1	0	0
Berkel, lf	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Bryan, cf	5	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
Howell, rf	5	1	3	1	0	0	0	0
Wickney, c	5	0	0	2	3	0	0	0
McCaw, p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stovall, p	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
*McClain	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
*Meeks	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*McClain batted for McCaw in 3rd.
*Meeks batted for Stovall in 9th.
Score by innings:
Austin.....004 020 100
Mexia.....000 111 300

Summary:
Home runs: Holloway, Henderson.
Three base hits: Butler.
Two base hits: Johnson, Holloway, Crow, Howell.

Stolen bases: Howell, Falk.
Base on balls: off Brooks, 2. Col-
lins 2, Johnson 1, McCaw 1, Stovall
2.

Wild pitch: Brooks.
Innings pitched:
Brooks, 5 1-3 with 3 runs 6 hits.



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Zev Wins At The Kentucky Derby

CHURCHILL DOWNS, Louisville, Ky., May 21.—Zev, owned by Hay F. Smith, won the Kentucky Derby here this afternoon from a field of twenty-one starters, Martingale second and Virgil third. Time for mile and quarter, 2 minutes 5 2-5 seconds. Jockey E. Sandeup rode the winner. Twenty-one starters came out very near to scheduled post time and paraded in front of the grand stand, while 75,000 spectators craned the line up at the post in five minutes and it took another five to get them off. Passing the stand, Zev in the lead, he continued in the lead at the quarter with Prince K. second and Martingale third. At the half Zev still led, followed by Martingale, Virgil, winner of Preakness, third. Zev held the lead at three quarters with Martingale still on his heels. Martingale took the lead at one mile with Zev second and Virgil third. They went into the home stretch with Martingale in the lead, but Zev overtook him before the finish. Zev paid \$40.40 to \$2 for straight ticket.

BENSON'S JAZZ ORCHESTRA

AT THE OPERA HOUSE
As an added attraction the Opera House has secured the Benson Jazz Orchestra to play at the theatre tonight, in conjunction with the picture "The Kentucky Derby." This orchestra is said to be one of the best out of the state of California. They are playing their way from San Francisco to New York City. Those who have heard them say that they are unusually good.

FORT WORTH, May 21.—The Women's Southern Golf Association's twelfth annual tournament was to get under way here today with more than 50 cities represented. Thirty one trophies have been set aside for the winners, runnersup, etc. More than 125 entries are expected to tee off in the qualifying round this morning.

Collins 2-3 with 2 hits 3 runs.
McCaw 3 with 5 hits 4 runs.
Winning pitcher: Brooks; Losing pitcher, McCaw.
Struckout: By McCaw 1. Stovall 1, Johnson 1.
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TODAY AND TUESDAY

Mag. H. Cleaner Makes Its First Appearance In This City Today

More Banditry In Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, May 21.—Two young bandits held up Charles Morris, creditor manager for Richards & Conover Hardware company here and escaped with \$5,700 in cash loot. The robbers' encounter Morris while the latter was returning with the money in a grip from the First National bank, seized the money bag and walked away.

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The Magnetic house cleaner has 336 exclusive features not found on any other cleaning device in the world and was built to lighten the burden of the housewife and which allows the housewife to clean the house from top to bottom without even stooping once. Besides this it will remove moth eggs out of clothing and floor coverings clean bare floors, renovate pillows and mattresses, curtains, dry the hair in less than two minutes time, etc.

All of this, Mrs. Roegge says goes to show that the Magnetic house cleaner is not a luxury but a money maker for the housewife and that it pays for itself many times over in a years time.

At 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Roegge will clean the dirtiest rug in Mexia in Karner & Phillips store, and the public is invited to witness this. A house cleaning engineer who accompanies Mrs. Roegge on her tour will clean an entire room free for every woman leaving her name at the store today and tomorrow.

American Team Wins St. Andrews

ST. ANDREWS, May 21.—America's amateur team, coming from behind with a great rally in the last round, won the Walker international cup here this afternoon from the British team. Americans went into the second day's play for the cup with a score of 2 to 2 against them with little hope held for to do as well as hold their own in eight single matches that made up the final round. By winning five of today's matches and halving, the Americans retained the trophy which they won last year at Southampton, N. Y.

It doesn't do you much good to hold the key to the situation after some other fellow has picked the lock.

Called Meeting Masonic Lodge

There will be a called meeting of Springfield Lodge No. 74, A. F. and

A. M., tomorrow (Tuesday) night at 8 o'clock for work in the F. O. degree. Visitors are always welcome.
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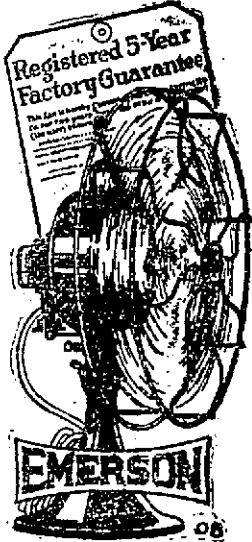
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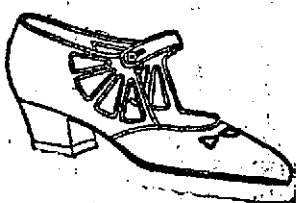
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West Texas C. of C Opens San Angelo

SAN ANGELO, Texas, May 21.—The fifth annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce opened here today.

Delegations from Chambers of Commerce throughout the state began arriving here late Saturday and Sunday to take part in the annual convalescence which is expected to be unique among annual gatherings of commercial chambers in that long dry business sessions are to be augmented by out-of-door games, trap shooting and contests in swimming, golf, tennis, baseball and water fights.

One of the outstanding features planned for the meet is a cowboy banquet where mutton and chevon for which the San Angelo country is famous, is to be served to approximately 4000 people in the light of flickering campfires.

About twenty five West Texas bands are expected to compete in a contest during the meet for which \$2,500 worth of cash prizes have been offered. These bands will accompany committees from their cities in presenting bids for the 1924 convention. Election of officers and selection of a meeting place for next year is scheduled for the last day of session May 23.

OIL

E. L. Smith, president of the E. L. Smith Oil Company, returned Friday from Powell where he went in the interests of his company. He states that there is much activity there now and will be more as soon as the fire is exterminated on the McKie. A dozen or more new derricks are being constructed or are already upon locations made in the past few days, representing the work of many of the major and lesser companies operating in this part of Texas.

The E. L. Smith Company has made a location and has a derrick up, with machinery moving in for a well, on the Ervine tract, about a mile southwest of the J. K. Hughes-McKie. This is in the area of the pool there which is now bidding for big play from many companies.

Other derricks are: McMahon on the Chapman, diagonally offsetting the McKie, Northwest; Witherspoon, J. O. Burke, an offset north; the Humphreys-Kent, about 500 feet southwest of the Hughes-McKie; McMahon Chapman, on a 50 acre tract, about 1000 feet southwest of the McKie; the Humphreys-McKie, approximately 1500 ft. northeast of the Hughes-McKie; Humphreys-Fair, 800 feet west, in the northwest corner of the Fair tract; U. S. Tex, two locations on the southwest corner of the J. O. Burke and 500 feet northeast of the J. K. Hughes; Gulf Blumrosen, offsetting the Humphreys A. W. Fair tract, north; The Humble Oil and Refining Company, two locations, Blumrosen, 1000 feet northeast of the Hughes McKie, just to the north of the Gulf's Blumrosen; Roxana Blumrosen, 1000 feet a little north of east offsetting the Gulf's Blumrosen; The Texas Company, offset to the Humphreys McKie; The Gulf Company on the southwest corner of the Christian, about a half mile northwest of the Hughes-McKie. Men with axes, briar hooks, spades, mattocks and picks are busy clearing out underbrush for roads running

in and about the various new locations made up to date.

A great number of teams drawing wagons loaded with boilers, pumps, drill stem, casing, cable and other well drilling tools and equipment plod along the highways today. The U. S. Tex' first location on the Fair tract spudded in Thursday. Water lines are being laid from Chambers creek to several derricks, and fuel oil tanks are being assembled and placed.

Interest in activities continue centered about the J. L. Thompson Oil corporation well, located directly between the Burke discovery and the Hughes-McKie, gusher Casing has been run at this test, and preparations are under way to pour cement. The Kenner No. 2, is expected in within a short time. Standard tools are being used to bring this well in.

The Trapshooter well at the north end of the field and the Petroleum Producers' Association well continue drilling with some showing of gas and oil.

The test being drilled by the Gal-lowsay Oil interests of Fort Worth, located on the Owens tract, four miles directly south of Powell, is reported drilling at 1700 feet. The Walsh test is drilling at a similar depth.

Within less than ten days the wilderness along Chambers creek bottoms will be changed into a veritable field of oil activity, with more than 15 new rigs going, according to present indications.

The Texas Company's Stroud 3 is fishing at 2567. This same company's Morrow is coring ahead in hard sand at 2906 in Currie, near the J. K. Hughes Developing Company's Morrow 1 gusher. Its Morrow 1 skidded to the right is drilling at 2513. The Humphreys Brown well is shut down today.

Mrs. M. E. Grissom of Groesbeck and J. K. Smith of Bremond were in the city Thursday, each representing their side in the sale of the Carpenter Hotel.

Half Billion Irish Booty

DUBLIN, May 21.—It will cost upwards of \$500,000,000 to repair the damage done by De Valera's "irregulars" since the foundation of the Irish Free State, according to a statement made by Kevin O'Higgins, Minister of Home Affairs.

Numerous serious financial and legal difficulties face the Free State authorities according to the same official not the least of which are to decide "who owns what and why, and how?"

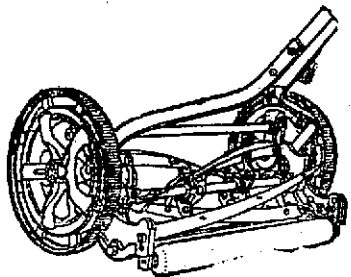
"There are people who got rich quickly during the last ten months," declared O'Higgins, "and who have in their possession property and land to which they have not a scrap of legal title."

The Free State authorities have recovered much looted property, but it has not been easy to establish the actual owners thereof, and many looters have converted their ill-gotten gains into cash, with which they have made big purchases of land, etc. Endless lawsuits are promised.

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Carpenter Hotel Changes Owners

J. L. Bush, proprietor of the Bremond hotel at Bremond, Texas, has purchased the Carpenter hotel of this city and will run both places, but has decided to move his family here, owing to the many advantages found in this city in way of good churches, schools and the modern conveniences as well as being the liveliest town in Texas.

Mrs. Bush and sons, J. L. Jr., and Master Louie arrived Saturday to join Mr. Bush. After a few days visit here the sons will make several weeks visit at their former old home Franklin and will also visit relatives in Houston.

Mr. Bush while out viewing the city was much pleased with the many beautiful homes and street improvements here.

Mr. Bush is a brother of Judge H. A. Bush formerly of Groesbeck, but now of Franklin.

We bespeak success for such a live progressive man as Mr. Bush, who comes to join with and be one of the pushers of the best town in Texas.

The Carpenter has always enjoyed a fine trade of the best citizenship. Our city is to be congratulated upon being able to locate such estimable people in our midst. The entire family belong and are active members in the Christian church of their former home and we feel sure they will receive a pleasant greeting here.

Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter will be here for a few days yet before leaving.

S. J. CARPENTER AND FAMILY PLAN TO MOVE

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Carpenter of the Carpenter Hotel have recently sold to J. L. Bush of Bremond, Texas, the Carpenter hotel which opened here in October, 1921, and has enjoyed a splendid business always maintaining a high standard.

Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter will join son, A. W. at Oklahoma City where on June 1, they will all leave with the India Shrine Special train for the Imperial Council at Washington, D. C. After the convention is over their complete train goes to New York for three days and on over to Montreal, Canada where they will be guests of Karmach Temple for a day returning via Niagara Falls to Detroit, Chicago, and St. Louis. Here the Carpenters will leave the special train going to north Missouri their old home, from there they will return to Oklahoma City for a short time before departing for California their future home.

ETCHISON-JONES
A. R. Etchison of the Wholesale firm of Stamp and Etchison is now a Benedict. Thursday of last week, at the home of the bride's parents, at Hemphill, Texas, he was linked in happy wedlock to Miss Sulema Jones of that city, the Methodist pastor of that place officiating at the beautiful ceremony. Their courtship prior to the wedding day was of but brief duration but the fervor of their love, measuring up to the demands of "Love at first sight," is such that they are now journeying together on a long romantic pilgrimage, flecked like the heavens with bright stars and sunniness.

The queen of this affair arrived in Mexia three weeks before the wedding day, on a visit with Mrs. Tom Nolan with whom she roomed while attending the University of Texas, of which she is a graduate in the class of '20. Miss Jones, as she was then known, formed many acquaintances and as many friends here, and it was on this visit that the romance with Mr. Etchison began. She is a lovely young lady, talented and of most winsome personality, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Jones of Hemphill, Texas. Mr. Jones is known as one of the leading and most influential business men of that part of Texas.

She left for her home the early part of the week. Mr. Etchison left for the same point Tuesday and Thursday the wedding occurred. They left immediately afterwards for Houston and other points. "Somewhere in the U. S. A." for a brief honeymoon, following which they will return to Mexia where they will make their future home.

Mr. Etchison is a member of the firm of Stamp and Etchison, Wholesale Produce Dealers, a well established firm of this city. He has resided here for the past two years.



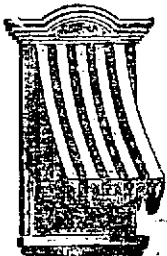
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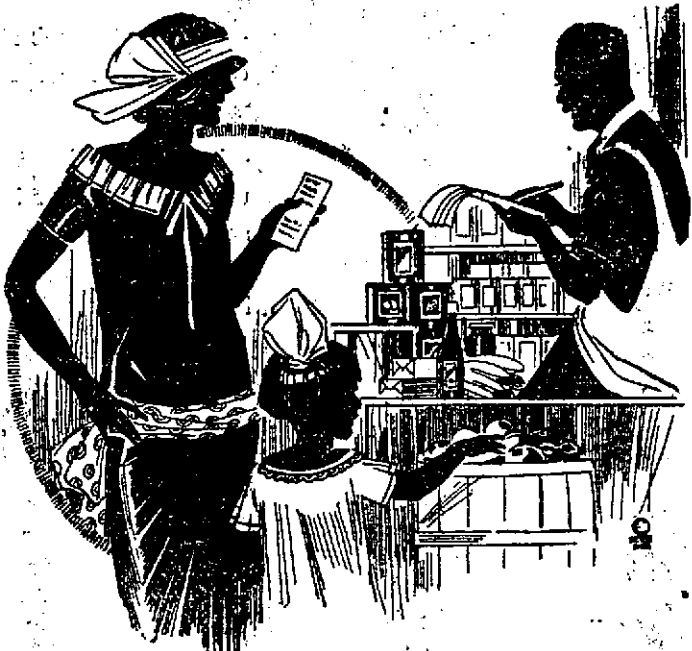
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S. M. U. Has Large Class

DALLAS, Texas, May 21.—One hundred and nineteen candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts and five for that of Bachelor of Music composed the largest senior class in the history of the Southern Methodist University.

Publication of the list of seniors on Senior Recognition day showed a total of 72 girls and 47 boys applying for the arts degree. Last year's class numbered one hundred and eight.

Fifty-four Texas towns are represented in the class. Dallas leads with 44 applicants. Eight other states are represented by ten members of the class.

having come to Mexia from Waco. His friends are numbered by the hundreds and all that know "Etch" as one of the finest young business men of Mexia, a Christian gentleman and congratulations will be numerous and fervent when they learn of his happy wedding day last Thursday.

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PLAYGROUNDS INTEREST SALESMEN OF CITY

During the coming few days there will be something definite decided relative to the Chautauqua coming to Mexia this week. R. A. "Dick" Wagner, live wire leader of the Salesmanship club has received word from the management of a well-known entertainment agency regarding dates and other details. This matter was discussed at the last week meeting of the Salesmanship Club. The chautauqua was discussed and it has been decided to contribute the proceeds of the entertainments to start a playground fund for the children of Mexia.

At the last week meeting of the club the subject of playgrounds was discussed by Charles Porter Tindley who told of the advantages of playgrounds in part as follows:

"Some of the smallest as well as the largest cities and towns in the United States are adopting systems of playgrounds for the children, in the first place it is one of the greatest factors in moulding future citizenship and safeguarding the children. The functions of supervised play grounds are to: provide safe places

for play, decrease juvenile delinquency, break down race prejudice, educate through play and to build up the health of the future citizens.

"There are several places available for playgrounds in this city and with out a doubt there are public spirited citizens owning open plots of ground who will be willing to cooperate with the committee in charge and give them the use of same for the experiment. It is safe to say that after the first playground is opened and the results are shown that next year it will not be hard to have ample appropriations made to have a complete system installed in Mexia.

"It has been proven in other cities that the accidents among children are greatly decreased in places where they have playgrounds. Generally the children will appreciate the entertainment provided and make the playground their rendezvous during their spare time. The instructors for the girls and the boys will be chosen as to their qualifications for the work, this serves to have them an inspiration in helping form good habits. Children have more need of models than of critics. Never fear spoiling children by making them happy; happiness is the atmosphere in which all good affections grow."

Figures were quoted from the city of Detroit, which showed that the playgrounds have been in great demand since starting in 1914. In that time beginning with odds and ends of undeveloped vacant property, the report for last year showed that the voters of the city appropriated \$3,044,410 last year for parks and playgrounds. It was figured last year that the total cost of providing recreation for the children per capita cost for the year was about twenty cents. For the amount of happiness it gives it is hard to furnish an argument against the playground movement.

SCRAPPING BATTLESHIPS

PHILADELPHIA.—Four of the "Eagles of the Sea,"—the Kansas, Louisiana, New Hampshire and Minnesota—are now being scrapped at the Philadelphia navy yard. These first class battleships are being scrapped under the provision of the Arms Conference Treaty. While actual obliteration of the vessels has not been started, the dreadnoughts have been stripped of their equipment so they are practically useless as fighting crafts. All essential equipment has been removed and placed on other vessels.

Wild animals are said to be decreasing, but you would never know it while listening to the noise of the kid ball games in Mexia.

Flappers To Wear King Tut Anklets

CHICAGO.—King Tut pocket flask are the latest thing developed by the world-wide craze for Egyptian styles, P. J. Coffey, a manufacturing jeweler of Newark, told the jewelers here. "What would old King Tut think," said Coffey, "if he awoke from his sleep of thirty-five centuries and learned that flasks neatly engraved with his portrait and hieroglyphic signature and filled with moonshine and other period liquor were being carried on the hip by our people? They are sterling silver and the 'tomb motif' in ornamentation is bizarrely attractive. Prohibition has brought in a vogue for flasks and cocktail shaker as wedding gifts."

Anklets and amulets, Coffey said,

were coming into vogue as a result of the Egyptian fad.

"Don't be surprised," he said, "if you see a flapper on the avenue with gold, silver, or white-gold cerclets studded with semi-precious stones dangling about her ankle. They are wearing them in Paris and London and they will soon be on this side of the water."

"Egyptian of Tut-Ankh-Amen's time knew nothing of diamonds. Their gems were emeralds, sapphires, rubies, carnelian, lapis lazuli, turquoise, onyx and other translucent stones. These are renewing their hold on the public."

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William Reed
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The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

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LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Sterling silver Eversharp pencil with initials H. G. P. engraved on it. Return to 604 E. Rusk street and receive reward. 21d3D

LOST—Fox Terrier, leather harness, with brass trimming. Bob tail. Reward for return to 837 E. Milam. 20D7

LOST—Purse containing several dollars, Masonic, Elks, Salesmanship, and several other cards. Finder return to C. L. Tatum at News office and receive reward. 20D2

LOST—White Georgette suit on Groesbeck road. New, bought at R. E. Hickman's. Return to Hickman store, Mexia. Reward. 20D3

WANTED TO BUY—E

WANTED—A refrigerator, state size and price. Box E, L. J. Publes, Mexia, Texas. 20E1

WANTED TO BUY—Second hand oil well machinery pipe or casing any quantities. We will inspect and pay cash. Communicate with us before selling elsewhere. Texas Supply Company, Houston, Texas. 16d7E

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10th.

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—three room unfurnished house, bath, lights, water and gas, 505 E. Carthage, between Bonham and Kaufman. 17d4K

FOR SALE—J

FOR SALE—Milk cow giving three gallons of milk per day, see P. Beyer, six miles east of Mexia at Cotton Gin. 18d2J

FOR SALE—Pecan orchard, Five acres pecan orchard will be sold to first purchaser, as demonstration, at about the price of the adjacent unplanted land. The trees will be planted in the fall of 1923, and cared for until they take root; only finest variety of "papershell" pecan will be planted. This land is only one mile from San Saba court house and post-office, reached by two auto roads, and as fine a location as there is in Texas. Should be worth \$500, per acre within five years. A down payment of \$250. will swing this deal; balance in reasonable monthly payments. Here is a cracker jack opportunity for a few live wire who acts quickly. A. W. Woodruff, San Saba, Texas. 20d1J

SPECIAL SALE—Furniture House. hold goods and dishes, bed springs and mattress complete from \$5 to \$15 two burner gas plate \$2, three burner gas plate \$3, sheets 50c, feather pillows 50c, dinner plates 18c, chair 50c, dressers good as new \$10, kitchen cabinet \$10, ice box \$10 up to \$20, tables \$1, wood cook stoves \$7 to \$10, come and look over our stock and save money we have better values than you can find elsewhere, four burner new Perfection oil stove with oven only \$9, Auction store 117 East Palestine street, one block north of City National Bank. 20d4J

FOR SALE—Smith and Barnes self player piano, used one week. If you are looking for a bargain it will pay you to see ms. Ray Armstead, Jimmie Cafe. 20d4J

BUILDINGS—Bought for wrecking. Must be reasonable. Wreck also for account. Second hand material all times on hand. Deans Lumber yard. Mikolash. 16d7J

FOR SALE—Potato slips at Wilson & Forrest Grocery store on Sherman street or see Luther Cox south end of Ross. Any quantity. Wilson & Forrest Phone 55. Luther Cox Phone 509-W. 10d30J

OWNER leaving for Washington offers their sport model electric shift auto in fine running order, 6 cord tires, cost \$3,600. Sacrifice for \$750. Some terms to responsible party. Call at 501 East Carthage, phone 614. 20J3

FOR SALE—Stop paying rent. Small house and nice lot. Close in, fenced, water on it, good terms, might consider car. 314 E. Hopkins. 20J1

WILL SELL CHEAP—Electric ceiling fan, good as new, also three and four piece set of bath room fixtures, also one barber chair outfit, see Wildeman, 117 E. Palestine street. 21d2J

FOR RENT—Two nicely furnished housekeeping rooms. Bert Capps, 200 Travis street at south end of McKinney. 21d7J

WE BUY SELL AND EXCHANGE second hand furniture. Also bargains all this week. Walton Furniture Co., City Hall, Mexia. By Postoffice Corsicana. 15d7J

FOR SALE—A few misfit suits cheap

East Side Tailors, 319 S McKinney. 17d7J

FURNITURE SALE—Anything in stock will be sold at 10% discount if you buy this week. We buy, sell and exchange second hand furniture. Walton's Furniture Co., by City Hall, Mexia; by Post Office, Corsicana. 20J6

WANTED TO BUY—One horse, spring wagon, address 123 West Palestine. 18d3J

ROOMS FURNISHED—L

FOR SALE CHEAP—Nice 5 room house, sleeping porch, on good lot close in, stop renting, small cash payment, balance monthly. Might consider some trade. Non-resident. Agents list. Best offer takes it. 314 E. Hopkins. 20L1

FOR RENT—Two furnished light-housekeeping rooms with modern conveniences, also a two room house. Lots of shade. 312 N. Canton Street. 20L2

FOR RENT—Cool comfortable room. Modern, corner of Sherman and Milam. 223 E. Milam. 20L2

FOR RENT—One large furnished housekeeping room in garage on paved street. Lights and water furnished, \$15 per month. 409 East Rusk St. 20L7

FOR RENT—Two and three-room light housekeeping apartments, water and light furnished. 300 E. Titus. 20L5

FOR RENT—Four upstairs rooms for men, double beds, each \$2.50 per week. Also housekeeping rooms on first floor. \$20.00 per month for two rooms. Conveniently located. 515 N. Sherman street. 15d7L

FOR RENT—Five room house close in on Sherman street. Call 171 or 609-J after 6 o'clock. 16d5L

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FOR RENT—Two and three light housekeeping apartment, water and lights furnished. 300 E. Titus. 17d7L

MISCELLANEOUS—P

REMOVAL NOTICE—Hemstitching machine formerly at Wardrobe Exchange now at the Womans Shop 121 N. McKinney street, City Hotel building. 16d7P

CONGRESS PASSING TOO MANY SPECIAL LAWS; RED MENACE

MUSKEGON, Mich., May 21—Congress is passing too many laws of a special nature and thereby is aiding in the cause of unrest, according to Representative James C. McLaughlin, of Muskegon, now dean of the Michigan delegation in the House at Washington.

"A great majority of the laws passed today are of a special nature and they will not stand the test of time," he stated. "The result is that there is a general feeling of dissatisfaction and this leaves a fertile field for the undermining of the Government at Washington by radicals. Today we

are finding this unrest in places where we least expect it.

"There was a time during the war when the strong arm of the central Government probably had to be used, but that time has passed. The Federal Government today is reaching too far and taking over the duties of the states in many instances.

"If congress continues to meddle with special laws and to get farther away from the general principles of the central government, we are going to find that the radicals will be better able to sow the seeds of dissention and to undermine the government at Washington.

If the potatoes raised in the garden this summer look as big as pictured in the seed catalog, neither the cellar nor the woodshed will be able to hold them.

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No. 37—4:55 a. m.; Dallas.
No. 15—3:44 p. m.; Ft. Worth and Dallas.
No. 31—12:50 p. m.; Mexia to Dallas

Southbound.
No. 18—1:37 a. m.; Houston.
No. 16—11:45 a. m.; San Antonio and Houston.
No. 38—11:35 p. m.; San Antonio and Austin.
No. 20—11:59 p. m.; Houston.
No. 32—10:00 p. m.; Mexia.
No. 345—From Navasota; 3:45 p. m.
No. 346—To Navasota; 7:00 a. m.

T. & B. V.
North.
No. 8—3:25 p. m.
South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

SHERIFF'S SALE THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Limestone.
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the honorable district court of Limestone county, of the 9th day of May, 1923 by the District Clerk, of said Limestone county for the sum of \$2450.00 and costs of suit, under a vendor's lien in favor of W. L. Forbs, in a certain cause in said court No. 3819 and styled W. L. Forbs, vs. M. R. Parish and wife, Annie Parish, placed in my hands for service, I, Whit Popejoy as sheriff of Limestone county, Texas, did, on the 9th day of May, 1923, levy on certain real estate, situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follow to-wit:

100 acres of land, a part of the A. G. McNeal survey in Limestone county, Texas, which was patented to J. J. McBride, assignee by the State of Texas, by Patent date March 28th,

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And levied upon as the property of M. R. Parish and Annie Parish, and that on the first Tuesday in June, 1923, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the court house door, of Limestone county, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale, I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said M. R. Parish and Annie Parish.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone county.

Witness my hand this 9th day of May, 1923.

WHIT POPEJOY

Sheriff Limestone County, Texas.
By N. P. Harris, Deputy. 10-17-24

NO. 535.
THE STATE OF TEXAS
To the Sheriff or any constable of Limestone County—Greeting:
W. D. Pittman, Executor of the estate of Mrs. Emma Pittman, deceased, having filed in our county court his final account of the condition of the estate of said Mrs. Emma Pittman, deceased together with an

application to be discharged from said Administration.

You are hereby commanded, that by publication of this writ for twenty days in a newspaper regularly published in the county of Limestone, you give notice to all persons interested in the account for final settlement of said estate, to file their objections thereto if any they have, on or before the June term A. D. 1923, of said county court, commencing and to be holden at the court house of said county, in the city of Groesbeck, on the first Monday in June, A. D. 1923, when said account and application will be considered by the court.

Witness, J. L. Day, clerk of the county court of Limestone county.
Given under my hand and seal of said court at my office in the city of Groesbeck, this 9th day of May, A. D. 1923.

J. L. DAY

Clerk County Court Limestone County, Texas.
By Anna Burney, Deputy.
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WHIT POPEJOY,

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BUGHOUSE FABLES



Local News

The children whose parents used to walk a long distance to school, now complain about the make of the automobile that is sent for them to ride in.

The government still gives an income taxpayer some exemption for his wife and children, but pretty soon it will probably tax them as luxuries.

The ladies of the Methodist church had a social meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Don't forget the census committee meeting Thursday at 8 o'clock at the Baptist church.

The Coolidge graduation exercise will be held tonight and many of the Mexia people will attend.

The First Christian church will have a Friendship Luncheon Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

H. F. Mace of the J. K. Hughes Developing company is in Gonzales this week for the company.

Mrs. J. K. Hughes attended the funeral services of the men who lost their lives in the McKie fire which were held in Corsicana Sunday.

The people who have let it be known that they wish to buy an automobile this spring have not so far complained that no one has called on them.

Much is being said about marking historic spots, and the boys are attending to the same with their pencils and jackknives on the school-houses.

Some one asks why "berries" is used as a slang word for dollars, instead of "bucks" or "bones" as formerly? Probably because in these high price times dollars look about the size of huckleberries.

Mrs. W. R. Storey will entertain this evening at 6 o'clock with a very delightful dinner for the officers and teachers of the primary department of the Central Presbyterian church.

Fish dealers solemnly announce that this is a backward season in crabs.

"Yes, there's fellow who is a dismal failure at inventing excuses, for instances."

A woman doesn't mind having reflections cast upon her if they come from a mirror.

Something always happens to the man who flirts with temptation just to show how strong he is.



FOR BETTER SIGHT

Refraction is an exact mathematical science and the principle may be understood by other than medical men. But if you need glasses, you should have your eyes examined by some one who would recognize a diseased condition as well as a simple defect. Every case is an entity unto itself, no two are exactly alike. If you need glasses, come to my office and I will give you the benefit of a medical as well as technical examination at no additional cost.

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DR. SHIREY



Dorothy Gish in 'The Bright Shawl'

Coming to the National Theatre Monday.

Doctor Of Divinity Degree Conferred on David Carson Bayless

Dr. David Carson Bayless Sunday delivered the baccalaureate sermon at Ohio Northwestern University at Ada, Ohio. He left here the Thursday before Sunday for the purpose and to remain over a few days in the University town for other commencement affairs. Wednesday he will receive a degree of Doctor of Divinity conferred by the Ada institution.

Colonel Albert E. Humphreys sent a nice contribution by him to the student YMCA at Ohio Northwestern.

Nationalism of the old order in Europe once more is given full play and the fires of hatred are kindling new wars.

Peoples whose governments fought the war today are sufferings as not even during the maelstrom that fired the European continent for more than four years.

The spirit of peace and good will counted upon to seal the victory has taken flight.



Mrs. Ethel Crocker White

America's ideals for which tens of thousands of lads gave their lives are today shunted aside.

There are many people who say just what they think. In fact they are more numerous than popular.

The Cynical Bachelor observes that a fellow must be mighty near sighted to kiss the wrong girl by mistake.

Father says the boys would develop a splendid baseball muscle if they would take hold and wheel the ashes out to the dump.

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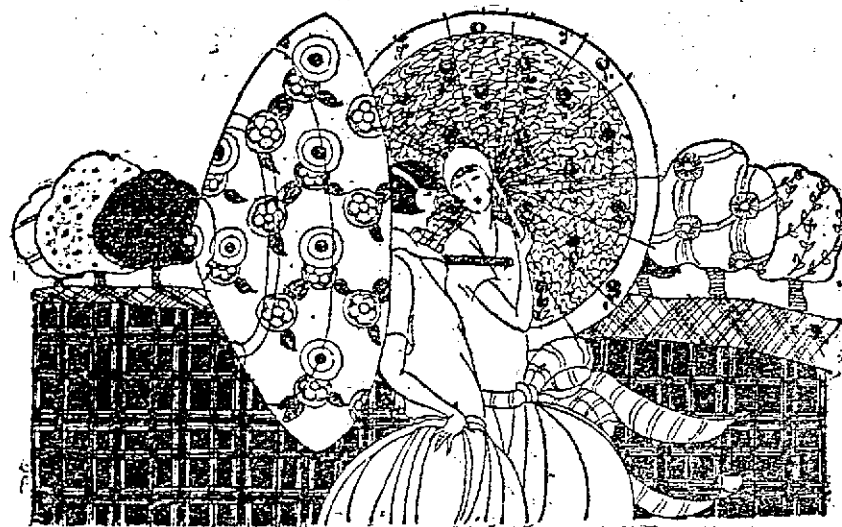
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